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FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS,

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL
COMMITTEE, ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPART-
MENT AND TREASURER,

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STETSON SCHOOL
FUND, THE TRUSTEES OF THE TURNER FREE
LIBRARY, AND OF THE WATER
COMMISSIONERS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, 1891.



ANDOVER, MASS.:

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1891.

Town Officers for the Year 1890-91.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor,

PETER B. HAND,

JOHN B. THAYER,

MICHAEL J. DALY.

Town Clerk and Treasurer,

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

School Committee,

THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN, Term expires 1891. THOMAS DOLAN, Term expires 1892.

ASA P. FRENCH, Term expires 1893.

Trustees of Stetson High School Fund,

THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN, Term expires 1891. JOHN B. WREN, Term expires 1892.

ASA P. FRENCH, Term expires 1893.

Water Commissioners,

PETER B. HAND, Term expires 1891.

J. WHITE BELCHER, Term expires 1892.

CHARLES A. WALES, Term expires 1893.

Auditors,

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY,

WILLIAM J. LONG,

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

Constables.

E. FORREST KNIGHT, JAMES CARNEY, LINCOLN STETSON, JOHN P. ROONEY,

FRANK J. DONAHOE, JOHN B. CLARK, GEORGE A. POOLE, JOHN T. MANNING

GEORGE E. EASTON, E. LAWRENCE PAYNE, ALBERT H. HOLBROOK,

WILLIAM C. SLACK, JAMES BLYTHE, JR., JOHN T. MAHONEY,

PATRICK J. GOGAN, THOMAS FARRELL.

Tax Collector,

THOMAS DOLAN.

Fence Viewers,

DANIEL LEAHY,

LEVI WILBUR.

Registrars of Voters.

JAME FARDY, HERBERT W. PRATT, DAVID P. MCGAUGHEY, HIRAM C. ALDEN

Inspectors of Elections.

GEORGE C. SPEAR,

JOSEPH J. McMAHON.

Deputy Inspectors of Elections.

AUGUSTUS L. CHASE,

EDWARD O'FLAHERTY.

Engineers of Fire Department.

CHAELES A. WALES, Chief;

WILLIAM A. CROAK, Clerk;

JOHN HANEY,

DANIEL J. BRENNAN,

CORNELIUS DESMOND.

Superintendent of Almshouse.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

Keeper of Lockup.

COLIN BOYD.

Representatives to the General Court.

HENRY W. BRITTON, of Stoughton.

ROBERT P. CAPEN, of Stoughton.

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen of Randolph herewith submit to the citizens of the Town their Annual Report of the expenditures in the several departments for the financial year ending February 28, 1891.

APPROPRIATIONS.

As voted by the Town; also, County and State Tax.

For schools,	\$8,880 32
Repairs of highways,	4,500 00
Stetson High School,	2,000 00
General town expenses,	13,500 00
Fire department,	1,890 00
Decoration of soldier's graves,	100 00
Medical attendance on the poor,	350 00
Interest on Randolph water loan,	1,500 00
Contribution to sinking fund,	3,575 00
Water service,	2,000 00
Repairs on Stetson Hall Building,	1,300 00
Sidewalk, Cross Street,	200 00
Removing building of Ebenezer Moulton,	150 00
Special improvements,	500 00
Turner Free Library,	500 00
County tax,	1,601 48
State tax,	2,082 50
Total,	<hr/> \$44,629 30

Taxable Valuation, May 1, 1890.

Real estate,	\$1,531,500 00
Personal estate,	513,210 00
Total valuation,	<u>\$2,044,710 00</u>

Rate of taxation May 1, 1890, \$17.60 on \$1000.

Population, Census of 1890,	3,946
Number of polls May 1, 1890,	1,155
Horses, May 1, 1890,	340
Cows, May 1, 1890,	258
Acres of land taxed May 1, 1890,	5,782
Dwellings taxed May 1, 1890,	822

Estimated Value of Property owned by the Town February 28, 1891.

Almshouse property and farm,	\$12,000 00
Town House and land,	18,000 00
Two steam fire-engines and apparatus,	10,500 00
Three fire-engine houses and lock-up,	4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus,	800 00
One hearse,	200 00
Ten acres salt marsh,	500 00
Twenty acres land, Upham lot,	400 00
School-house and land, District No. 1,	2,000 00
School-house and land, District No. 2,	6,000 00
School-house and land, District No. 3,	1,350 00
School-house and land, District No. 4,	5,750 00
School-house and land, District No. 5,	1,200 00
School-house and land, District No. 6,	1,600 00
Prescott school-house and land,	15,000 00
Eight shares Randolph National Bank stock,	1,440 00
Stetson school fund, par value,	10,600 00

Turner school fund, par value,	\$1,500 00
Turner Free Library, building and land,	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund,	5,000 00
Turner fund,	10,000 00
Turner Free Library,	5,000 00
Waterworks,	118,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate,	2,800 00

Expenditures.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$54,142.46.

On account of Schools,	\$9,228 25
Stetson High School,	2,000 00
Removing snow,	281 67
Paving,	505 69
Town officers,	2,373 95
State aid, Chapter 301,	1,787 00
Military aid, Chapter 279,	1,433 00
Decoration of soldier's graves,	100 00
Abatement of taxes,	335 20
Funeral expenses,	311 50
Fire department,	1,821 90
Miscellaneous expenses,	2,501 42
Poor in Almshouse,	3,788 47
Poor out of Almshouse,	4,200 56
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook,	1,578 79
Poor of other towns,	631 26
State paupers and tramps,	238 98
Water hydrant service,	2,000 00
Contribution to sinking fund,	3,575 00
Public improvements,	500 00
Repair of highways,	3,935 93
Sidewalk, Cross Street,	200 92

On account of Removing building, Moulton Street,	\$155 00
Repairs on Stetson Hall Building,	1,300 00
Turner Library,	1,225 55
Pay of physicians,	263 00
Liberty Street,	2,885 94
Lafayette Street,	1,503 88
New Street,	679 60
Matthew Clark estate,	2,800 00
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	\$54,142 46

Recapitulation.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools,	\$8,880 00	\$9,228 25
Income from other sources,	842 72	
Stetson High School,	2,000 00	2,000 00
For poor out of Almshouse,	4,000 00	4,200 56
Poor in Almshouse,	2,000 00	*3,788 47
State paupers and tramps,		238 98
Poor belonging to Randolph and Holbrook,	1,000 00	1,578 79
Poor of other towns,		631 26
Town officers,	2,300 00	2,373 95
Miscellaneous expenses.	2,000 00	†2,501 42
Fire department,	1,890 00	1,821 90
State aid,		1,787 00
Military aid — 1-2 from state,	600 00	1,433 00
Water hydrant service,	2,000 00	2,000 00
Public improvements,	500 00	500 00
Sidewalk, Cross Street,	200 00	200 92
Repair of highways,	3,800 00	3,935 93
Paving,	500 00	505 69
Removing snow,	200 00	281 67
Decoration of soldiers' graves,	100 00	100 00

For Contribution to sinking fund,	\$3,575 00	\$3,575 00
Repairs on Stetson Hall Building,	1,300 00	1,300 00
Removing building, Moulton Street,	150 00	150 00
Turner Free Library,	500 00	1,225 55
Pay of physicians,	350 00	263 00
Abatement of taxes		335 20
Funeral expenses,		311 50
Liberty Street,	2,000 00	2,885 94
Lafayette Street,	1,500 00	1,503 88
New Street,		679 60
Matthew Clark estate,	2,800 00	2,800 00

*Net expense of Almshouse, \$1,298.85.

†Included in miscellaneous business is \$633 paid for special police duty, for which there was no appropriation.

Report of the Superintendent of Streets.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

GENTLEMEN : I have the honor to submit my second annual report. Very much has been accomplished on our highways during the past year. Over five hundred loads of gravel were used on South Main Street, from Avon line to Wales Brothers', and the road through the swamp widened. A large quantity of gravel was used on Union Street and its sidewalks. North Main Street and Warren Streets had a liberal supply, Silver Street and its sidewalks were gravelled its entire length, while all streets and sidewalks received their requisite attention. Over three hundred loads of stone and gravel were used in the springy places on New Street, and the street thoroughly rolled with a steam roller, making a nice thoroughfare. A sidewalk was constructed on Cross

Street, and the street put in good condition. A gravel-pit was opened on the Town Farm, and over seven hundred loads of road material used from it without charge to the town. In accordance with the order of the County Commissioners, Liberty Street was widened to fifty feet, and with two sidewalks rebuilt from C. Prescott's store to the Burrell estate. The appropriation was intended to cover the cost of construction as far as the ledge, but as a large quantity of stone was required in the construction of the retaining walls and for filling, it was thought best to blast the ledge, which was done, and several rods more of road built than was originally intended, and in consequence the appropriation was over-run. Over two thousand loads of material, besides the ledge, were used in its construction, and it is one of the finest streets in the town. Lafayette Street was widened to forty feet from West Street to the school-house, and with two sidewalks rebuilt, thus supplying a long-felt want and giving good satisfaction to the residents of Tower Hill; the appropriation was not exceeded. The paving was confined mostly to North Main Street, and improves that section greatly.

A franchise having been granted to lay tracks for a street railway, more money should be appropriated for paving, as with wide, flat paved gutters as much roadway for travel could be had with car tracks in the centre of the street as there is now, and improve the looks of the street, as well as being a permanent benefit. The winter has been favorable for slush and ice, and the icy sidewalks caused much anxiety and trouble; sand should be stored in the summer for such emergencies. Liberty Street has suffered from surface water from adjoining land, but can be remedied at a trifling expense when the spring opens. The Town teams have done a large share of the work, and over fifteen hundred dollars has been paid back to the town to the credit of the Poor Department. Compared with surrounding towns our roads bear

favorable criticisms. The vote of the town whereby none but citizens should be employed has been strictly complied with. My thanks are due to my assistants and to the many citizens for kind words of encouragement, but more especially to you for the confidence, uniform courtesy, and hearty co-operation, which has not only made my duties pleasant, but agreeable.

GEORGE R. WEAVER,

Superintendent of Streets.

Highway Repairs.

Paid Town teams, labor,	\$280 00
Thomas Whalen, labor,	151 40
J. Riley and others, labor,	243 40
Robert McAuliff, labor,	129 17
William Mahady, labor,	115 86
Thomas Devine, labor,	48 75
John W. Bryan, labor,	33 75
James Carroll, labor,	62 12
John Manning, labor,	50
Andrew Strickland, labor,	6 00
Ebenezer Alden, gravel,	31 68
H. B. Alden estate, gravel,	11 52
John V. Beal, gravel,	7 20
J. Gogan, gravel,	2 72
T. F. Lynch estate, gravel,	8 56
C. Prescott & Co., gravel,	14 72
Florence Sullivan, labor,	18 00
J. Blake, labor,	6 00
Thomas Barry, labor,	10 00
Ansel Mann, labor,	14 00
Use of scraper,	9 46
Charles Mann, labor,	16 75

Paid Soriana Jones, labor,	14 00
Seth W. Mann, labor,	12 00
Martin F. Smith, labor,	3 75
William Devine and team, labor,	28 12
Anthony Abenzellar, labor,	3 40
L. Mann, labor,	6 00
G. H. Sampson, supplies,	1 50
H. M. White & Co., supplies,	18 38
Clarence Stetson, labor,	9 20
Emory Lyons, labor,	21 50
James Lyons, labor,	24 70
John Sheehan, labor,	14 50
James Fardy, labor and material,	5 80
Andrew Nightingale,	10 20
Morton Holbrook, labor,	2 00
Thomas Johnson, labor,	16 00
John Desmond, labor,	9 80
Cornelius Ahearn, labor,	29 00
Charles A. Allen, labor,	86 40
David Ahearn, labor,	94 80
Michael Lagan, labor,	106 80
F. G. Winnett, labor,	50 90
G. F. French, labor,	30 00
A. G. Swain, labor,	3 75
Munroe Dyer, labor,	5 00
Lincoln Stetson, labor,	13 12
Charles Eddy, labor,	7 00
William Smith, labor,	5 00
Patrick Welch, labor,	19 60
Jed. French, labor,	6 00
John Meaney, labor,	31 50
Madison Jones, labor,	4 00
Michael Ford, labor,	8 00
Rufus Jones, labor,	4 00
Thomas Donahoe, labor,	14 00

Paid William Porter, labor,	31 11
Boston Belting Co., supplies,	2 00
Peter Sheridan, labor	1 00
William Brennan, labor,	18 00
A. F. Jones, labor,	6 90
City of Quincy, use of roller,	132 00
John Johnson, labor,	2 00
I. N. and H. M. French, gravel,	38 70
Howard House,	20 00
F. E. Stetson,	11 32
D. B. White, coal,	13 44
M. M. Alden, labor,	31 08
J. Keenan, labor,	59 86
D. Russell, steel plate,	8 58
George R. Weaver, salary as Superintendent of Streets,	100 00
Patrick Barry, labor,	63 35
Joseph Donovan, labor,	90 70
Matthew Graham, labor,	107 40
Rufus I. Jones, labor,	53 30
Thomas Duff, labor,	80 20
John McGrane, labor,	49 40
William C. Barry, labor,	107 80
Randolph waterworks, for pipe,	20 00
George R. Weaver and others,	253 00

Sidewalks.

Paid George R. Weaver and others,	\$81 00
Town teams, labor,	102 37
Rufus I. Jones labor,	6 00
Thomas Whalen, labor,	47 00
William C. Barry, labor,	23 70
Michael Lagan, labor,	18 70

Paid Matthew Graham, labor,	36 50
George F. French, labor,	8 70
Joseph Donovan, labor,	28 90
Emory Lyons, labor,	22 70
James Lyons, labor,	7 60
Thomas Donahoe, labor,	11 60
John Sheehan, labor,	8 60
John Wales, labor,	14 70
David Ahearn, labor,	10 00
Patrick Barry, labor,	15 00
Moses McGaughey, labor,	34 60
C. A. Allen, labor,	25 80
Thomas Duff, labor,	30 20
William Brennan, labor,	19 20
Florence Sullivan, labor,	6 24
John T. Wales and team, labor,	16 95
S. B. Woodman, labor,	67 94
James Riley and team, labor,	8 27
James Keenan and team, labor,	35 62
William Carroll and teams, labor,	5 62
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	\$3,935 93

Paving.

Paid John Desmond, labor,	\$24 00
David Ahearn, labor,	19 40
Patrick Barry, labor,	6 20
Patrick Welch, labor,	5 00
Thomas Whalen, labor,	3 00
William Porter, labor,	2 62
Adam F. Jones, labor,	3 50
George R. Weaver and others,	44 00
Thomas Duff, labor,	40 00

Paid William C. Barry, labor,	33 60
William Mahady, labor,	68 62
Robert McAuliff, labor,	52 87
Cornelius Ahearn, labor,	25 60
Thomas Johnson, labor,	25 60
Seth Mann, 2d, sand,	7 20
James Riley, stone,	7 20
Charles Belcher estate, stone,	2 60
M. Scanlon, stone,	1 80
H. Gore & Co., for paving,	125 83
Town team, labor,	3 50
H. B. Libbey, stakes,	50
C. H. Prescott & Co., lanterns, oil, etc.,	2 65
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	\$505 69

Removing Snow.

Paid George R Weaver and others, labor	\$174 42
F. E. Stetson, labor	10 00
William Mahady, labor and team	30 15
James Keenan, labor and team	17 75
James Riley and team	49 35
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	\$281 37

Cross Street Sidewalk.

Paid George R. Weaver and others	\$22 00
Town teams	36 75
Rufus I. Jones	5 00
Thomas Whalen, labor	17 50
Michael Lagan	18 50
Matthew Graham, labor	17 00

Paid David Ahearn, labor	10 00
John Sheehan, labor	10 00
Emory Lyons, labor	10 00
John Lyons, labor	8 00
William C. Barry, labor	18 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	8 00
John Devine, labor	1 87
For drain pipe	90
H. B. Alden estate, gravel	9 52
C. H. Prescott, gravel	6 08
For gravel	1 80
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	\$200 92

New Street.

Paid M. M. Tidd, surveying	\$26 70
B. Johnson, lumber	66 07
Joseph Donovan, labor	4 00
Daly Bros., building fence	113 46
S. B. Corliss, land damage	25 00
Matthew Graham, labor	11 80
Thomas Donahoe, labor	5 00
James Lyons, labor	4 00
Michael Lagan, labor	1 00
James Fardy, labor and material	70 57
Sally and Annie Wales, land damage	50 00
Richard Stevens estate, land damage	100 00
John Wales, land damage	200 00
Barney Doonan, stone bounds	2 00
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	\$679 60

Lafayette Street.

Paid Devlin and Mackey, surveying	\$107 20
Town teams	136 50

Paid George R. Weaver and others, labor	115 00
C. A. Allen, labor	71 30
James Keenan, labor	3 00
J. Devine, labor and team	5 62
Thomas Devine, labor	15 93
John Devine, 2d, land damage	30 00
Thomas Johnson, labor	2 00
Teresa Kinsley, gravel	37 60
James Carroll	5 00
Daly Bros., labor	16 50
Lawrence Ormsby	2 00
Drain pipe	2 24
James Barry	75
C. A. Wales, labor and material	36 05
Randolph Waterworks	7 58
Patrick Mannix, labor	6 00
Adam F. Jones	10 50
William Carroll, labor	2 30
William Brennan, labor	60 50
Frank H. Langly, labor	16 23
John Meany, labor	49 45
Michael Ford, labor	10 00
John Desmond, labor	2 00
Florence Sullivan, labor	40 50
James Blythe, labor	15 00
A. Nightingale, labor	26 80
Joseph Donovan, labor	88 70
Thomas Duff, labor	47 40
Thomas Whalen, labor	76 60
George F. French, labor	69 10
William C. Barry, labor	14 30
Patrick Crosby, labor	9 80
Michael Lagan, labor	41 80
John McGrane, labor	108 70
Matthew Graham, labor	59 30

Paid Owen Cox, labor	6 00
David Ahearn, labor	6 60
John Sheehan, labor	75 80
William White, labor	13 87
John Sullivan, labor	40
G. H. Sampson, supplies	18 75
James Sutton, labor, fencing	5 00
A. F. Aldrich, land damage	15 00
W. F. Martin, stone bounds	5 26
James Fardy, posts and plates	7 95
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	\$1,503 88

Liberty Street.

Paid George H. Sampson, labor and rock and fuse	\$41 02
M. P. Pike, labor	147 38
George M. Johnson, labor	138 15
Charles A. Allen, labor	167 00
John McGrane, labor	157 75
Thomas Duff, labor	158 63
John Desmond, labor	144 63
John O'Keefe, labor ,	26 30
Thomas Johnson, labor	70 23
Andrew Nightingale, labor	165 38
Madison Jones, labor	49 08
Charles Cole and team, labor	38 75
Town teams, labor	249 53
J. Riley and team, labor	10 50
A. F. Jones, logs	2 00
Michael Lagan, labor	85 93
David Ahearn, labor	79 93
William C. Barry, labor	64 33
George R. Weaver and others, labor	188 10

Thomas Whalen, labor	78 60
Matthew Graham, labor	56 60
Joseph Donovan, labor	42 33
John Sheehan, labor	23 50
John Lyons, labor	10 00
Cornelius Ahearn, labor	57 93
Patrick Barry, labor	17 33
Robert McAuliff, labor	36 93
A. M. Taber, labor	13 20
Morton Holbrook, labor	43 60
Emory Lyons, labor	7 00
Daniel Kiley, labor	41 62
Z. Thayer, labor	18 00
George F. French, labor	61 50
Daly Bros., building fence	90 00
A. G. Swain, labor	11 25
Patrick Clark estate, gravel	109 05
Drain pipe	3 00
M. M. Alden, labor and material	5 20
Michael D. Neil, for filling	40 00
Frank H. Langly, labor	49 44
James Fardy, labor	78 76
For blasting material,	1 42
Matthew Graham, posts	4 26
Thomas Johnson,	80

\$2,885 94

TOWN OFFICERS.**Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.**

Paid Peter B. Hand	\$400 00
John B. Thayer	400 00
Michael J. Daly	400 00

School Committee.

Paid Thaddeus T. Cushman	\$120 00
Thomas Dolan	100 00
Asa P. French	100 00

Registrars of Voters.

Paid John T. Flood	\$50 00
James Fardy	50 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
Hiram C. Alden	75 00

Collecting Taxes.

Paid Thomas Dolan, collecting taxes of 1889 .	\$100 00
Thomas Dolan, collecting taxes of 1890 .	368 25
Engineers of Fire Department for the year ending May 1, 1890	145 70
Town Auditors for the year ending March 1, 1890	15 00
Total	<hr/> \$2,373 95

Decoration of Soldiers' Graves.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles, Post 110, G. A. R. .	\$100 00
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State Aid (Chapter 301).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of state) . \$1,787 00

Military Aid (Chapter 927).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of state) . \$1,433 00

One half paid by the state . . \$716 50

Paid by Holbrook . . . 138 00

Paid by Randolph . . . 578 50

Total, \$1,433 00

Abatement of Taxes.

Paid Thomas Dolan for the year 1889 . . \$335 20

Funeral Expenses.

Paid Ralph Houghton, attending 89 funerals . \$311 50

Turner Free Library.

Paid appropriation \$500 00

Insurance 120 00

For repairs 605 55

Total \$1,225 55

Public Improvements.

Paid appropriation as per vote of Town . . \$500 00

Fire Department

Paid sundry bills (for items see Engineer's report) \$1,821 90

Schools.

Paid sundry bills (see report of School Committee) \$9,228 25

Stetson High School.

Paid appropriation, \$2,000 00

Matthew Clark Estate.

Paid appropriation \$2,000 00

Miscellaneous Expenses.

Paid Seth Mann 2d, insurance	\$112 80
N. Howard and Seth Mann 2d, application,	5 00
J. White Belcher, insurance	193 88
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	11 87
F. A. Belcher, supplies	2 40
M. R. Warren, supplies	25 26
James E. Blanche, carriage hire	53 00
W. A. Smith, damage to wagon	12 00
E. Forrest Knight, police duty	455 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	27 82
Colin Boyd, care of hall, Selectmen's office, care of lamps, etc.	130 20
Thomas Farrell, services on Town Clerk's warrant	17 90
Howard House, dinners	50 50
Western Union Telegraph Co.	35
John B. Thayer, services as moderator	20 00
Peter B. Hand, expenses and cash paid	37 59

Paid Frank J. Donahoe, police duty	130 25
George E. Easton, police duty	21 50
James Carney, police duty	53 00
Gaston and Whitney, professional services . .	175 00
John E. Clark, police duty	7 50
Andover Press, printing	26 75
A. C. Paul, subpoena,	2 70
H. B. Libby, labor and material	5 70
F. Porter, supplies	10 60
M. M. Alden, estimate M. Clark estate . . .	5 00
J. L. Burke, painting street signs	18 50
S. B. Corliss	10 50
C. P. Worcester, analysis of water	10 00
George W. Wales, postage	6 22
Harry Cottle, care of lamp	5 00
Town of Stoughton, tax on Upham lot	6 30
Chandler Cox, care of lamp	20 00
F. A. Spear, printing 1,400 Town Reports . .	263 20
F. G. Winnett, distributing ballots	3 00
Charles E. Pratt, distributing ballots	3 00
G. W. Pollock, supplies	2 25
J. B. Thayer, map	1 50
H. M. White & Co.	5 16
L. E. Coles, supplies	12 25
John P. Rooney, watchman after fire 1889, and police duty	68 02
Barney Doonan, labor	5 00
M. M. Tidd, surveying and plan of M. Clark estate	14 65
H. M. Meeks, tally sheets	2 00
George C. Spear, inspector of elections . . .	5 00
Joseph J. McMahon, inspector of elections . .	5 00
A. L. Chase, deputy inspector of elections . .	5 00
Edward O'Flaherty, deputy inspector of elections	5 00
E. W. Campagna, labor	4 84

Paid Holbrook Times, printing	2 00
Lincoln Stetson, police duty	7 50
D. H. Huxford, printing registrar's notices	39 78
Royal W. Turner, insurance	20 00
Pemberton National Detective Agency	78 30
A. J. Gove, carriage hire and expressing	113 90
Michael J. Daly, expenses and cash paid	7 50
John B. Thayer, expenses and cash paid	10 00
Edwin Mann, wood	31 00
J. W. Palmer, damage to carriage	4 50
James Fardy, wrench for fountain	50
Peter B. Hand, services as Board of Health	20 00
Board of Health, supplies	2 00
M. W. Baker, postage	7 75
F. A. Spear, printing	41 75
John B. Thayer, services as Board of Health	20 00
Michael J. Daly, services as Board of Health	20 00
Total,	<u>\$2,501 42</u>



REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report for the year ending February 28, 1891 :

The expenses in the Department of the Poor have been less than the previous year. The Almshouse has remained under the charge of George R. Weaver and wife as Superintendent and Matron, and the decrease in the net expenses for the past year is in itself sufficient evidence of the economical administration of the institution. The Almshouse buildings are in good repair, and will not require any great outlay for the ensuing year, neither will there be required any great outlay for additional stock.

Almshouse and Town Farm.

Paid Geo. R. Weaver and wife, Sup't & Matron	\$500 00
Frank A. Belcher, supplies	102 32
F. H. Langley, labor	60 46
C. Prescott and Co., supplies	580 85
A. Hawse, supplies	35 81
James Gogan, 2 pigs	13 00
James Riley, labor	21 75
Rufus A. Thayer, supplies	42 80
G. W. Pollock, supplies	2 25
H. L. Mudgett & Co., supplies	317 04
Thomas Whalen, labor	11 00
Dempsey Brothers, supplies	105 81

Paid H. M. White & Co., supplies	117 73
H. B. Libby, labor	43 36
S. A. Thayer, supplies	385 20
James Fardy, labor and material	159 59
C. D. Hill & Co., supplies	140 01
Caswell, Livermore & Co., fish	10 14
G. D. Goodrich	34 18
Columbus Holbrook, cow	50 00
Old Colony Railroad Co., freight	2 94
N. A. Tolman, fish	9 97
John F. Carey, fish	32 29
John Sheehan, labor	5 60
Joseph Donovan, labor	27 00
William C. Barry, labor	19 00
Michael Lagan, labor	9 00
Matthew Graham, labor	7 00
Thomas Johnson, labor	4 00
S. B. Woodman, labor and material	58 85
James Halpin, milk	3 50
George M. Johnson, labor	3 00
Charles L. Thayer, labor	1 00
W. A. Smith, supplies	160 23
Franklin Porter, supplies	82 28
M. M. Alden, supplies	1 23
A. L. Chase, M.D., medical attendance	10 00
N. E. Buck, supplies	69 05
Sidney French, shoes	24 79
Daniel Leahy, supplies	25 33
A. F. Jones, supplies	4 50
M. Norton Hunt, supplies	6 00
G. F. Simmons, supplies	6 94
C. A. Wales, supplies	31 52
Samuel Howard, supplies	2 50
F. E. Stetson, supplies	9 00
Toomey and Brennan, supplies	34 86

Paid A. J. Gove, expressing	\$17 65
A. J. Towns	24 60
H. M. Briggs, butter	120 72
D. B. White, coal	54 94
Seth Mann, 2d	53 10
H. H. Guinan, supplies	10 15
R. McLennan, labor	52 10
Willard G. Brown, supplies	19 25
Underhay Oil Co., oil	60
A. J. Towns, supplies	44 68
Total,	<u>\$3,788 47</u>

DR.

Stock on hand March 1, 1890,	\$2,890 65
Cash paid for supplies to March 1, 1891,	\$3,788 47
	<u>\$6,679 12</u>

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Stock on hand March 1, 1891,	\$2,999 00
Labor of town teams,	836 14
Labor of Superintendent and inmates	712 57
Board of sundry persons,	345 17
Town of Holbrook, board of sundry persons,	457 39
Stock sold,	30 00
	<u>\$5,380 27</u>
Net expense of Almshouse,	<u>\$1,298 85</u>

**Names of Persons supported in Almshouse during the Year
ending February 28, 1891.**

	Weeks.
David McKay §	3
Lewis Linfield	52

Edmund Eddy	52
William A. Doyle	52
Ann Holbrook	52
Catherine Henry	52
Maggie Morrissey	52
William Morrissey	52
Teresa Long	52
Rufus I. Jones	16
Joseph Fritz	52
George A. Cook	52
Mary Maxfield §	48
Ellen Buckley	52
William Tilson *	52
Lydia A. Dyer	52
George Kiley ‡	43
Flora Cook ‡	44
Henry D. Holbrook †	52
Lizzie Nolan ‡	19
Bartholomew Gill	8
Agnes Stephenson	19
Charles Stephenson	19
Thomas Riley	3
Harriet Howard ‡	5
Frank Smith ‡	19
William Fox ‡	2
Sarah Bond	4
Phebe Stetson	9
Frank E. Stetson	9
Patrick Flanagan	34

§ Deceased. ‡ Discharge.d. * Refunded, \$36.50. † Refunded, \$73.60.

Almshouse and Town Farm.

Appraisal of Stock, Furniture, Provisions, etc., Feb. 28, 1891.

3 horses	\$600 00
2 cows	75 00
1 fat hog	40 00
24 fowls	20 00
9 tons of English hay	180 00
1 road scraper	125 00
3 horse carts	150 00
1 farm wagon	70 00
1 carryall	50 00
1 two-horse wagon	60 00
1 swing drag	50 00
1 mowing machine	30 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	50 00
2 gravel screens	15 00
2 cart harnesses	30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 pair double harness	50 00
1 two-horse sled with shafts and pole	50 00
4 draft chains	10 00
2 grindstones	8 00
2 carriage jacks	4 00
6 baskets	2 00
1 cultivator	9 00
4 ploughs	25 00
1 harrow	5 00
8 hay and manure forks	5 00
6 shovels	6 00
2 iron bars and 3 picks	5 00
3 wood-saws and saw-horses	4 00
4 scythes and snaths	4 00
2 hand-saws, plane and square	4 00

1 bit-stock and bit, iron vise, etc.	\$5 00
3 stone hammers and 32 drills	30 00
50 flour barrels	5 00
12 cords of hard wood fitted for stove	96 00
5 tons of coal	35 00
5 bushels of potatoes	10 00
Garden vegetables	5 00
3 barrels flour	18 00
25 pounds of butter	7 50
30 pounds of lard	3 00
1 barrel of pork	30 00
20 pounds of crackers	2 00
5 gallons of molasses	2 50
4 gallons of vinegar	1 50
1 bushel of beans	2 50
10 jars of pickles and preserves	4 00
125 pounds of sugar	8 50
40 pounds of tea	12 00
Spices	2 00
2 pounds of tobacco	2 00
Grain and meal	4 00
80 pounds of ham	9 60
40 pounds of bacon	4 00
40 pounds of corned beef	2 40
35 gallons of kerosene	4 00
1 kerosene barrel	1 00
1 small stove	5 00
1 fire extinguisher	30 00
9 flat-irons	4 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ box of soap-powder	2 00
Crockery-ware	40 00
Wooden-ware	15 00
Sewing-machine	16 00
1 ice-chest	45 00
Clothes-wringer and tinware	15 00

10 hand, 3 hanging lamps, 3 lanterns	\$10 00
1 clock	4 00
12 cuspadores	6 00
26 iron bedsteads	150 00
12 feather beds	75 00
25 under sheets	36 00
60 sheets	30 00
34 colored blankets	34 00
24 white blankets	24 00
60 pillow-cases	10 00
12 bed-spreads	12 00
31 comforters	31 00
54 feather pillows	32 00
28 towels	4 00
5 table-cloths	5 00
7 small and 4 dining tables	5 00
1 black walnut extension table	10 00
2 all-wool carpets	40 00
58 chairs	25 00
6 brooms	1 50
1 churn	3 00
Coal shovels and hods	5 00
3 axes	3 00
1 wheelbarrow	3 50
1 tobacco-cutter	2 50
8 snow-ploughs	100 00
1 sleigh	25 00
1 carriage-robe, 4 horse-blankets	18 00
1 cooking range, hot-water tank, etc.	70 00
Total,	<hr/> \$2,999 00

Relief of Poor out of Almshouse.

Paid for Horace E. Holbrook at State Lunatic	
Hospital	\$169 46
Mary E. Forrest, State Almshouse	146 00
Margaret Ward at Taunton Lunatic	
Hospital	169 46
Timothy Donahoe at Taunton Lunatic	
Hospital	169 46
William McMath at Taunton Lunatic	
Hospital	58 50
Julia Ainsly and family	153 56
Susan Atcherson	55 87
John Atcherson	42 00
Patrick Barry	62 99
Annie Bunberry and family	95 45
Mrs. Maurice Colbert	63 37
Mrs. John DeNeil and family	152 00
Thomas Donahoe and family	67 15
William Farnum	60 50
Alexander Holbrook and family	73 24
Isaac Holbrook and family	138 25
Lucinda Holbrook	52 00
Bridget Gill	52 00
Mrs. John Hunt	37 00
John Leahy and wife	125 74
Mrs. Hugh McMahon and family	79 00
Thomas Murray and wife	133 12
Mrs. Delazon Mann	7 00
Mrs. Fanny Niles	94 00
Mrs. Eliza Myers	83 00
Mrs. Luke O'Riley and family	207 29
Charles Stevenson and family	252 56
Mrs. Mary Fencer	4 00
Mrs. Bridget Long and family	8 00

Paid for Mrs. Harriet Weeks	\$23 00
James Brady	15 00
Annie A. Thayer, McLean Hospital	169 45
James J. Hoyer and family	14 53
Annie F. Thayer	143 00
Timothy Mannix	82 37
Mrs. James Butler	45 00
Mrs. Ellen Wilkinson	14 27
Mrs. Amasa Clark	125 00
Margaret Riley	54 00
James E. Neary	34 30
James Gaynor and family	99 37
David McKay	18 00
Joel Woods	17 00
Mrs. Mary Maxfield	18 00
Lizzie Nolan	17 40
Frank J. Beyette	10 00
Emory Lyons	16 65
Patrick Flanagan	95 91
David J. Foley	20 00
Thomas English	11 65
Ruel F. Cross and family	49 45
Aid refunded	3 00

Soldiers' Aid.

Paid for Hiram Holbrook and family	\$42 76
Mrs. Ellen Fox and family	129 61
Edith A. Allen	26 00
Patrick Kiley	20 00
Charles Abbott	52 00
Leroy S. Hollis	21 27
Total	<u>\$4,200 56</u>

**Relief of Poor whose Military Settlement is in Randolph
and Holbrook.**

Paid for Lewis N. Weathee, Taunton Lunatic

Hospital	\$169 46
Family of Michael P. Dumphy	257 09
Lawrence Leavitt and family	51 61
James Meaney's family	263 58
Ebenezer Holbrook and wife	126 34
Albert Howard and family	85 50
John E. Mann and family	146 00
Albert W. Stetson and family	100 63
Lysander Morse and family	2 00
Christiana Sloan and family	75 00
Louisa P. Sloan and family	53 50
Patrick Doherty	7 00
Mrs. Francis Boyle and family	21 00
George F. French and wife	11 25
Thomas F. Hand and family	28 74
Mrs. Sarah Bond	38 14
George Kiley	47 50
George A. Cook	9 65
Mary Mullins	72 00
Flora Cook	4 80
Aid refunded	8 00
Total	<hr/> \$1,578 79

Poor of Other Towns.

Paid for Mrs. W. H. Rowell, Methuen	\$27 00
Mrs. John C. Welch, Weymouth	65 23
Mrs. Wilfred N. Pendergrass, Holbrook . .	156 00
Mrs. Louisa Poole, Holbrook	131 87
Mrs. Louisa Alden, Avon	35 00

Paid for Albert and John Lang, Taunton	104 00
Alvin Nightingale (soldiers' aid), Duxbury	25 00
James E. Kelly, Grafton	11 00
Susan Saxton, Brockton	1 25
Lugi Crovo, Boston	10 00
Mrs. John Glover, Quincy	13 74
Mrs. Mary E. Dean and family (soldiers' aid), Taunton	32 52
David Cunningham, Boston	13 65
Frank Eldridge	5 00
Total	<hr/> \$631 26

State Paupers.

Paid Colin Boyd, keeper of lockup	\$140 00
Colin Boyd, supplies	31 97
Howard House, supplies	2 25
Frank F. Smith, charcoal	3 60
D. B. White, coal	12 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies	18 31
Harriet Howard	18 05
Laughlin McGilvay	3 00
Sundry persons	9 30
Total	<hr/> \$238 98

Pay of Physicians.

Paid Dr. E. A. Allen	\$22 00
Dr. T. T. Cushman	41 00
Dr. Charles C. Farnham	50 00
Dr. Oliver M. Sheridan	50 00

Paid Dr. Warren M. Babbitt	00 00
Dr. A. L. Chase	50 00
Dr. Frank C. Granger,	50 00
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	\$263 00

RANDOLPH, March 13, 1891.

The undersigned Auditors of the Town of Randolph respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn upon the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

Estimate of Expenses for 1891.

For Schools (see report of School Committee) .	
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees)	
Miscellaneous Town expenses	\$2,000 00
Repairs of Highways	4,000 00
Paving	500 00
Removing Snow	200 00
Fire Department (see Engineers' report) .	2,000 00
Poor in Almshouse	1,500 00
Poor out of Almshouse	3,500 00
Soldiers' Relief	500 00
Soldiers' Relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	1,000 00
Town Officers	2,300 00
Military Aid	600 00
Turner Free Library (see report of Trustees)	250 00

For Water Works (see report of Commissioners) \$9,075 00
Interest on Town Debt

Respectfully submitted :

PETER B. HAND,
JOHN B. THAYER,
MICHAEL J. DALY,
Selectmen of Randolph.

BROCKTON STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

FRANCHISE.

On the petition of W. W. Cross, Horace B. Rogers, William B. Cross and John P. Morse, a majority of the directors of the Brockton Street Railway Company, dated November 17, 1890, upon which a public hearing was had December 3, 1890, of which notice was given to all parties interested in the manner and as required by law, it was

VOTED, That subject to the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth, a location be granted for the tracks of the Brockton Street Railway Company, in Randolph, in and through the streets named in said petition as hereinafter named, to wit: On South Main Street from Avon town line through South Main and North Main Streets to the junction of Canton Street, at West Corners, so-called, from North Main Street through Warren Street to the Old Colony Railroad Depot, through Depot Street to North Main Street.

Said location is, however, granted subject to the conditions and restrictions following:

The construction of that portion of the street railway between Avon town line and a point in square opposite Stetson Hall building, shall be commenced and prosecuted in such a manner as will result in the completion and equipment of the before mentioned portion on or before the first day of January, A.D. 1891, and the remainder of said railway as located

shall be built, completed and equipped on or before the first day of May, A.D. 1891.

The whole work of laying down said tracks and the precise location of the same shall be subject to the direction and approval of the Selectmen.

The form and quality of rail to be laid down by said Company shall be determined hereafter by the Selectmen. Said track shall everywhere conform to the established grade of the street in which it is laid, and if at any time changes of grade therein become necessary by reason of changes made in the street by proper authority, the expense thereof shall be borne by the Railway Company.

Said Railway Company shall, at its own expense keep in good repair, and to the satisfaction of those officers having by law the charge of said streets of said town, that portion of the street occupied by its tracks, side tracks, and turnouts, to the extent of eighteen inches outside of each rail thereof.

Said Company may use for motive power to operate said railway, horses, steam or electricity, subject to the approval of the Selectmen.

Upon the completion of said railway as located, said Company shall file with the Town Clerk plans of said tracks which shall show the same in detail, with the sidings, and the same shall be subject to the approval of the Selectmen.

Said streets shall be left by said Company in as good and safe condition as the same may be in when the laying of said tracks is commenced, the question of whether they are left in such condition to be determined by the Selectmen.

Whenever said tracks are located in the centre of the streets, the Company shall pave the space between the rails, and also the space on each side of the track to the width of eighteen inches on each side ; and when said tracks are not laid in the centre of the streets said Company shall have such portions of the space between the rails and the space on each side of the track to the width of eighteen inches on each side

as shall be judged necessary by the Selectmen for the purpose of crossings.

The material to be used in paving may be field or cobble stone.

Whenever there shall occur a fall of snow of sufficient depth to allow the use of conveyances on runners on said streets, no snow plough shall be used on said tracks, nor shall said Company cause or allow snow to be removed therefrom, nor use or allow to be used any salt or other substance or substances for the purpose of melting snow on said tracks, unless written permission be obtained from the Selectmen.

Said company shall file with the Selectmen, within thirty days after receiving notice of this order of location, a written acceptance thereof and agreement to perform the terms and requirements of this order, and shall with said written acceptance file a bond with sufficient sureties in the penal sum of five thousand dollars to comply with the requirements of this order, which bond shall be in the form following :

BOND.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS :

That the Brockton Street Railway Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and having a usual place of business in Brockton in the County of Plymouth, as principals, and Henry W. Robinson and John P. Morse as sureties, are holden and stand firmly bound unto the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, a municipal corporation in the County of Norfolk, in the sum of five thousand dollars, which sum is hereby agreed upon as liquidated damages, for the payment of which to the said inhabitants of the Town of Randolph we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our successors, heirs, executors, and administrators. The con-

dition of the obligation is such that if said Brockton Street Railway Company shall in all respects perform the conditions and requirements set forth in the order of the Selectmen of said Town of Randolph granting a location to said Company for its tracks in said Town, which order is dated December 3, and modified December 13, 1890, and shall in all respects comply with the terms of said order, then this obligation shall be null and void. Otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue.

In witness whereof the Brockton Street Railway Company, by William W. Cross its President, thereunto duly authorized, and said Henry W. Robinson and John P. Morse, have hereunto set their hands and seals, this thirteenth (13) day of December, A.D. 1890.

Brockton Street Railway Company

W. W. CROSS, *President.*

HENRY W. ROBINSON,

JOHN P. MORSE.

AMENDMENT TO FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BROCKTON STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

Whereas in the order granting to the Brockton Street Railway Company a location dated December 3, 1890, one of the conditions and restrictions imposed in and by said order is that the construction of that portion of said street railway between Avon town line and a point in the square in Randolph opposite Stetson Hall Building should be completed on or about January 1, 1891, and whereas the cold weather may possibly prevent such construction within the time named, said restriction and condition is so far changed, modified and amended that the time for the completion is just as soon as the weather will permit; W. W. Cross and Horace B.

Rogers, Directors of the Brockton Street Railway Company, and Peter B. Hand, John B. Thayer, and Michael J. Daly, Selectmen of Randolph, or a majority of them, to determine when the weather is suitable.

PETER B. HAND,
JOHN B. THAYER,
MICHAEL J. DALY,

Selectmen of Randolph.

Dated December 13, 1890.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
1890-91.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In compliance with law and the established custom, the School Committee present to the inhabitants of Randolph a report of the work done in their department during the past year, and of money expended. This report also contains a few hints and suggestions to the parents and teachers, and estimates of the amounts of money necessary to be raised and appropriated for schools for the ensuing year.

The schools have moved along with very little friction, the same corps of teachers having been employed as last year.

The slight troubles that have occurred, and come to the committee's notice seem to have arisen from a misunderstanding as to the respective province and duty of parents and teacher, in the control of the child. While the child is on the school premises he is under the *sole* authority of the teacher; but, while on his way to or from school, he is under the *concurrent* authority of the parents and teacher; hence, any misdemeanor which he commits on the way should be reported to both parties, and they should agree upon its treatment. If there could be more concerted action on the part of parents and teachers, many misunderstandings would be avoided.

Young children are often left to follow their own inclinations and whims. Too many of them are frequently seen loafing about with those older than themselves, on the streets after dark, assembled about doors of public places, where

they form habits of disorderly conduct, which cannot fail to work lasting injury to them. Parents should know where their children are and what company they are keeping, and not allow them to be so much away from the influence of good home training, for which there is no adequate substitute. It is no uncommon occurrence to see children around the school building, on a stormy morning, an hour before the time for opening school. Some of the same children will go home and get their dinner, and return to the school yard in less than a half-hour. This is not altogether from love of school or of study, for many of the school offences are committed at these times, adding greatly to the teacher's care and responsibility, and detracting from his power to do the legitimate school work.

Have you, older people especially, visited our schools lately? Or, have you noticed what changes have taken place in public schools within the last quarter of a century? You may have heard some pessimist say "The schools are not as good as formerly," etc. Possibly you have believed him, and sighed for the good old times, when children spent a share of their time in holding down a nail, or holding out a book, or the school was edified by a rough and tumble fight between the teacher, perhaps a woman, and overgrown pupil; when children ten or eleven years of age, and even older, laboriously spelled the simple words in a reading exercise before pronouncing them; when in an exercise in geography the teacher always had text-book in hand to see that pupils gave the answer which corresponded to the question.

If this be your ideal school, you will be disappointed if you visit one of our schools. You may not see that attempt at rigid discipline on the part of the teacher to which you were accustomed. Probably you saw more children whipped in a single day than he has punished in the last year, but observe carefully and see if the children do not move as promptly when he speaks as did those of your day; see what a

friendly relation exists between teacher and pupil; notice how interesting the lessons are made, how eager the children are to recite, how he arouses their curiosity, and sets them thinking along new lines. Visit the schools several times, till you get into the spirit of it and wish you were young again, and then go to your pessimistic friend and tell him that he is all wrong, that there never was a time in the history of the world when so many of the children were receiving so much that is good, and wholesome, and helpful from the schools as now; the great danger being in trying to do too many different things.

DRAWING.

One of the studies which has been added and made compulsory by the legislature is drawing, and because people, probably from a misapprehension of the real object sought from its teaching, speak slightly of it we propose to say a few words in its defence. The primary object of form study and drawing is not to make artists, painters, or sculptors of the children, however, it should be so conducted as not to destroy any latent germs of genius which a child may possess; but the real object is to furnish a suitable training to the eye, that it may see correctly, to the fingers and hands that they may represent what the eye sees, and to train children to describe accurately what they see, to develop in their minds a love for correct proportion, harmonious coloring, and a genuine love for the beautiful.

The course in drawing which was commenced last year has been continued with very gratifying results through this. It seems to be based on correct principles, making the study of solid spheres, cubes, cylinders, etc., the foundation for the work. The children study these, mould them from clay, describe and draw them, and then other objects based upon

them. Thus direction and system is given to their work. We feel that the money spent for drawing was in the line of true economy.

MUSIC.

Mr. Meisner was continued as supervisor of this branch of education, although not employed for so many days in the term as last year. The progress in music has been more marked than ever, and it is very interesting to hear seven and eight year old children singing two and three part music, and sustaining their parts like veterans.

SUPERINTENDENT.

In the opinion of many the one thing needful is a superintendent, who will devote his whole time to improving the condition of the schools. By taking advantage of Chap. 431, Sec. 1, of the Acts of 1888, and uniting with one or more of our neighboring towns, this can be accomplished with very little expense to the town. We commend the subject to your thoughtful consideration.

PATRIOTISM.

The chief aim and end of all the schools supported by the public is to train up the children into intelligent, loyal, patriotic men and women, and some especial time and pains should be devoted to bring it to pass. As one means, the stars and stripes have been raised over countless school-houses in our land during the past year, and our two grammar schools are among the number. The legislature has also enacted that in every public school, the last session prior to Memorial Day shall be devoted wholly or in part to exercises of a patriotic nature, to the end that children may learn to

love and honor their country, that it may remain "The land of the free, and the home of the brave."

SCHOOL-HOUSES.

The tax-payers and parents who reside in District No. 3 (the west corner district) have petitioned your committee to cause an article to be inserted in the warrant for town meeting to the end that money be raised and appropriated for the purpose of building a new school-house. It is the opinion of your committee that the present house is unfit for occupancy as a school-room, being cold in winter, poorly ventilated, and unhealthy. It is to be desired that the request of the petitions will be granted.

PRESCOTT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Massachusetts District Police has ordered a system of heating and ventilating to be placed in the building at an expense, as the police say, of \$2500, which amount is placed in the estimate for permanent repairs.

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE, 1890-91.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Whole No. Enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14.	No. under 5.	Not absent during year.
HIGH,	Hugh J. Molloy, May L. Knowlton, Isabel M. Breed,	85	77	72	94	41	19	0	
PRESCOTT GRAMMAR,	Thomas H. West,	52	47	43	92	6	32	0	0
	Kate E. Kiley,	54	52	46	89	2	52	0	1
	Kate E. Sheridan,	41	35	33	95	0	41	0	1
	Mary A. Molloy,	31	27	25	93	0	30	0	0
PRESCOTT PRIMARY,	Mary E. Wren,	37	30	27	90	0	19	0	0
	Kittie R. Molloy,	38	35	31	89	0	3	0	0
	Sara J. McGaughey,	50	31	29	93	0	0	5	0
NORTH GRAMMAR,	Joseph Belcher,	63	52	49	94	0	52	0	2
	Ellen P. Henry,	37	34	30	88	0	37	0	0
NORTH PRIMARY,	Emma D. Stetson,	36	34	28	82	0	18	0	0
	Clara A. Tolman,	50	40	31	77	0	2	0	0
UNGRADED,	Sara C. Belcher,	27	23	21	94	0	16	0	0
	Lucie W. Lewis,	46	33	29	88	0	31	0	0
	Rose M. Brady,	27	25	22	88	0	15	0	0
	Hannah F. Hoyer,	46	40	36	90	0	26	1	0

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Wade C. Belcher,	Charles A. Boyd,
Carrie A. Devine,	Fanny M. Devine,
Louis Boyle,	Teresa Pope.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING TWO TERMS.

John Linnehan,	William McCarty,
Lilla Pratt,	Nicholas Moore,
Edward Devine,	Bertha Devine,
Isabel Pope,	William McLaughlin,
Isabel Perry,	Lawrence Hayes.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING ONE TERM.

Charles McMahon,	Richard DeNeil,
Thomas Uniac,	Joseph O. Connors,
James Uniac,	Nellie Malley,
James Hersey,	Mary Mahoney,
Mary Welsh,	Eddie Brady,
Joseph English,	George Kiley,
Henry Dumphy,	John Gaynor,
Mary Hurley,	Myra Pratt,
John Dennehy,	Kittie Rooney,
Alice Donahoe,	Maggie Forrest,
Florence Howard,	Clement Sanderson,
Francis Sullivan,	Bernard Flarity,
Robert Uniac,	Phillip Green,
Maurice Kiley,	Emma Thatcher,
William Mahoney,	James Thatcher,
Cornelius Foley,	George McAuliffe,
Alice Mahoney,	Thomas Foley,

James Foley,	Chester Howard,
John McGerrigle,	Percy L. Whiting,
Kate Toomey,	Hattie Stetson,
H. Bernice Scanlon,	Willie Eddy,
Walter L. Hickey.	Loring Binney,
James Taylor,	Annie Chessman,
Cora Baker,	John Dunn,
Carrie Holbrook,	Francis W. Brown,
Patrick Kennier,	Lilla M. Allen,
Willie Clark,	Edward T. Thayer,
Maud F. Kennedy,	Mary Riley,
Nellie DeNeill,	John Conners,
N. Fanny Foley,	Clara E. Breitling,
Teresa Long,	Bennie Moore,
Lawrence McGrath,	Agnes Pope,
Willie Sullivan,	Kate McClellan,
Arthur Beal,	Maggie Uniac,
Nellie Hurley,	Alice McGaughey,
Nellie Moore,	John Kelliher,
John B. Purcell,	Harold Howard,
Alice Denahey,	Willie Foley,
Cornelius Good,	Bessie Fardy,
Thomas Good,	George Easton,
Lillie Q. Bracken,	Edith Knight,
George Schrant,	Annie Schraut,
Bennie Parker,	Frank Wales,
Emma Jones,	

Estimate of Expenses for the Ensuing Year.

To support the schools for the ensuing year the committee have estimated that the following sums will be needed :

For teaching,	\$6,800 00
Fuel,	559 00
Care of rooms,	450 00
Miscellaneous and incidentals,	325 00

Permanent repairs,	2,500 00
Books and supplies,	800 00
Special instruction in music and drawing,	300 00
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	\$11,725 00
Estimated amount from other sources,	842 72
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	\$10,882 28

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS.

For Teaching.

Thomas H. West	\$999 95
Joseph Belcher	1,000 00
Kate A. Riley	409 50
Ellen P. Henry	416 26
Kate E. Sheridan	399 00
Mary A. Molloy	380 00
Emma D. Stetson	373 50
Sara C. Belcher	361 88
Mary E. Wren	380 00
Kittie R. Molloy	361 00
Sara Jane McGaughey	361 00
Lucy W. Lewis	342 00
Rose Mary Brady	329 00
Clara A. Tolman	329 00
Hannah F. Hoyer	335 00
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	\$6,777 59

Special Instruction in Music.

Prof. M. W. Meisner,	\$297 50
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	\$7,075 09

Fuel for Schools.

Paid Eleanor Holbrook, shavings. etc.	\$ 60
Daniel Leahy, wood and labor	13 75
Morton Holbrook, labor	5 00
Daniel B. White, coal	204 06
Benjie Stetson, labor	1 50
J. T. Leahy, wood	10 00
Thomas Patten, labor	4 50
Edwin M. Mann, wood	12 00
James Barry, labor	2 00
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	\$253 41

Care of Rooms.

Paid Caleb Stetson, 1889	\$20 00
Eleanor Holbrook, labor	10 00
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Margaret Reilly	25 04
Margaret Reilly	31 30
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Margaret Reilly	25 04
Rose Stetson	5 00
M. V. B. Howard	13 33
Margaret Reilly	5 00
Martin Howard, cleaning	16 65
Annie O'Halloran	15 00
Mrs. James Reilly	15 00
Rose Stetson	5 00
Margaret Reilly, care and lighting	25 44
M. V. B. Howard	11 00
Margaret Reilly, care and lighting	32 05
M. V. B. Howard	11 00
Eleanor Holbrook	16 05
Michael Sheridan	18 75

Paid M. V. B. Howard	\$11 33
Rose Stetson	5 30
Michael Sheridan	19 95
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Michael Sheridan	33 75
M. V. B. Howard	14 00
Rose Stetson	10 00
Michael Sheridan	32 10
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Caleb Stevens, care and labor	25 00
James Barry	25 00
Colin Boyd, care of room	6 00
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	\$522 08

Miscellaneous and Incidental Expenses.

Paid Caleb Stevens, labor	\$2 00
Geo. W. Pollock, chairs, screens, and curtains	41 75
E. A. Perry, labor on steps, fence, and schools	48 25
Thomas H. West, shelf and deodorizer	1 45
Ellen P. Henry, extra labor, drawing	20 00
John B. Wren, purchasing agent	15 00
David J. Foley, labor	2 00
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	5 94
Thomas Dolan, census of children	20 00
Geo. B. Dench, labor at several schools	15 00
C. H. Cole, labor at N. G. yard.	6 75
James E. Nash, labor on clocks	3 45
Sorianna M. Jones, labor	2 00
Thomas Dolan, express to Boston, postage, and cash paid	13 75
Dennis Fox, labor	6 00
Charles A. Wales, labor and supplies,	37 09
Colin Boyd, hall for lecture,	6 00

Paid N. H. Tirrell, painting steps,	\$4 00
Wm. G. Tirrell, painting lines on blackboard.	2 00
H. M. White & Co., oil and bracket,	1 39
Mary Wren, for school,	25
M. M. Alden, stock for steps and fence,	18 23
Daniel H. Huxford, printing, etc.,	13 75
Chas. H. Belcher, supplies, etc.,	34 62
Lavinia Hayes, use of well,	3 00
Frank J. Donahoe, truant officer,	20 00
M. V. B. Howard, truant officer,	15 00
A. J. Gove, bill for express, etc.,	29 89
M. W. Misener, 72 and 1.25,	1 97
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	\$393 08

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

For Stetson High School.

Paid Lee and Shepard,	\$3 20
Silver, Burdett, & Co.,	3 20
Thomas Hall,	6 80
Ginn & Co., college text-books,	12 42
Ginn & Co., Lockwood's Lessons in English,	3 73
Effingham, Maynard & Co.,	9 75
J. L. Hammett,	4 20
Boston School Supply Co.,	1 60
Prang Educational Co.,	10 08
King and Merrill,	3 20
American Book Co.,	6 60
Lee and Shepard,	1 20
Warren P. Adams,	1 05
Harrison Hume,	4 96
Thomas Hall,	5 80
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	\$77 85

For Common Schools.

Paid George S. Perry,	\$44 49
Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co.,	2 40
Boston School Supply Co.,	74 20
Van Antwerp, Bragg, & Co.,	138 00
John B. Wren, cash paid,	12 86
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	1 28
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	47 73
New England Publishing Co.,	1 00
Boston School Supply Co.,	123 15
J. B. Lippincott Co.,	5 84
Sara J. McGaughey,	4 00
Dame, Stoddard & Kendall,	22 95
Joseph Belcher,	5 80
Prang Educational Co.,	79 96
George S. Perry,	52 66
Boston School Supply Co.,	58 45
Boston School Supply Co.,	108 19
Boston School Supply Co.,	71 19
George S. Perry,	17 20
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	25 20
Thompson, Odell & Co.,	2 75
Edward E. Babb,	18 32
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	\$917 59

Recapitulation.

Paid for teaching,	\$7,075 09
Miscellaneous and school supplies,	1,377 67
Fuel,	253 41
Care of rooms,	522 08
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	\$9,238 25

Funds Applicable to Schools.

Town appropriation,	\$8,880 32
Dog tax,	553 75
State school fund,	185 63
Coddington Fund,	80 00
Sale of shingles,	16 00
Overdrawn,	7 34
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	\$9,723 04
Cost of schools,	9,228 25
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	\$494 79

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. T. CUSHMAN,
THOMAS DOLAN,
ASA P. FRENCH,

School Committee.

RANDOLPH, March, 1891.

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

The trustees of the Stetson School Fund respectfully submit to the inhabitants of Randolph their annual report. The funds of the school remain as last year.

10 shares Hide and Leather National Bank (par),	\$1,000 00
10 shares Eliot National Bank (par), . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Webster National Bank (par), . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe and Leather National Bank (par),	1,000 00
10 shares Exchange National Bank (par), . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank (par), . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Tremont National Bank (par), . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank (par), . . .	1,000 00
13 shares Shawmut National Bank (par), . . .	1,300 00
13 shares Randolph National Bank (par), . . .	1,300 00

The Turner Fund, consisting of one City of Minneapolis Bond of \$1,000, the income of which is to be used for the procuring of medals for the most meritorious of the pupils in school, remains the same.

At the close of the school year of 1889 and 1890 the graduating exercises were held in Stetson Hall on Friday, June 27, 1890. Diplomas were presented to the graduating class by the chairman of the board.

FOUR YEAR'S COURSE.

Latin.

Lucretia Christine Breitling,
Mary Elizabeth Martin,
Edith Florence Whalin,
Ernest Nelson Bullock,
Henry Edmund Cottle.

English.

Alice Wales Baker,
Jennie Louise Tracy.

TWO YEAR'S COURSE.

Emma Lavinia Dooley,
Carrie May Leavitt,
Josephine Lydia Martin,

Nellie Josephine McMahon,
Charles Edward Clark,

The Turner medals were awarded to the valedictorian, Ernest Nelson Bullock, and the salutatorian, Edith Florence Whalin.

At the close of the school year Miss Mary R. Fitch resigned her position as assistant of the Stetson High School, and Miss Isabel M. Breed, A.B., a graduate of Boston University, was elected to fill the vacancy.

The present school year commenced September 2, 1890, with Hugh J. Malloy, A.M., as principal, and Mary L. Knowlton, A.B., and Isabel M. Breed, A.B., as assistants, with eighty-five pupils.

The trustees feel confident in saying that the high standard of the school has been sustained by the untiring industry of the teachers.

The trustees do not intend in this brief report to single out for exclusive comment any one branch of the studies pursued in the High School, for they are satisfied from personal and repeated observation that all are taught faithfully and profitably. Yet they desire to express their appreciation of the especially judicious and painstaking manner in which instruction of the languages is imparted by the teachers, and the intelligent progress which the pupils, so far as they are pursuing it, are making in one branch or another of this subject. While it is out of the scope of the course of such a school to do more than to lay a foundation, we are convinced that the study of Latin, German, and French, so well begun as it is here, at present, will, in many cases, be continued after graduation; and even where it is not, cannot fail to have a beneficial, permanent effect upon the intellectual development of the pupil.

It has been a matter of some thought and discussion on the part of the trustees and teachers as to whether German should be retained as a required study (in which list it has recently stood), or French should be substituted in its place. It was finally determined to make the French required, and to leave the German optional, for the reason that French is

still, of the two, the more commonly read and spoken, at least in this section of the United States ; and, also, because it can be more advantageously taught side by side with Latin. This conclusion was, however, arrived at with some regret, more particularly because of the able manner in which German has been taught by the present instructress.

The rooms occupied by the school were inspected by the Massachusetts District Police, who ordered certain improvements to be made, involving an expense of one thousand three hundred dollars (\$1,300), which sum was raised and appropriated by the voters of the town.

The work has been completed whereby the heating and ventilating of the rooms are satisfactory, and in the coldest days the rooms can be made much more comfortable than by the former system of heating with stoves. Much more heat is given off by the furnaces than is needed in the lower rooms occupied by the school. Such extra heat could and should be utilized by the town in heating the Stetson Hall, which can be done at a small expense. Mr. Coon of the District Police estimates the cost at two hundred dollars.

In order to maintain the school in its present condition, and make such repairs as will be necessary, the trustees ask the voters of the town to raise and appropriate the following amount:

For school purposes, and the tax which the school	
has heretofore had on the bank tax,	\$2,200 00
For heating Stetson Hall,	200 00
For painting the outside of school building,	300 00
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	\$2,700 00

Respectfully submitted,

T. T. CUSHMAN,
JOHN B. WREN,
ASA P. FRENCH,

Trustees.

Dr. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT

1890.		To balance old account,		\$0.90
April	3.	To dividends Eliot National Bank	\$30 00	
		Webster "	20 00	
		Hide and Leather " National Bank	30 00	
		Shoe and Leather " "	25 00	
		Exchange " "	30 00	
		Boylston " "	30 00	
		Tremont " "	25 00	
		Old Boston " "	20 00	
		Shawmut " "	39 00	
		Randolph " "	65 00	
				314 00
April	28.	Town appropriation (in part)		1,000 00
Oct.	1.	To Dividends Eliot National Bank	30 00	
		Webster "	20 00	
		Hide and Leather " National Bank	30 00	
		Shoe and Leather " "	20 00	
		Exchange " "	30 00	
		Boylston " "	30 00	
		Tremont " "	25 00	
		Old Boston " "	30 00	
		Shawmut " "	39 00	
		Randolph " "	65 00	
				319 00
Oct.	21.	Town appropriation (balance of)		1,000 00
		Amount received from rental of hall		124 00
March	12.	Tax on Bank Stock refunded by Town,		188 64
				\$2,946 54

C. G. HATHAWAY,

Secretary.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund, as represented, and find them correct.

The investments remain in the bank stock reported by the Trustees, same as last year, the par value of which is \$10,600; the certificates remaining with the Secretary.

We also find in the hands of the Secretary a \$1,000 bond, the investment for the Turner Fund, same as reported.

PETER B. HAND.
JOHN B. THAYER,
MICHAEL J. DALY,

Randolph, March 17, 1891.

Selectmen of Randolph.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR REPAIRS.

Dr.	To Amount of appropriation,	\$1,300 00
Cr.	By paying S. B. Woodman	\$381 00
	McClintock and Woodfall	538 20
	E. W. Campagna	105 45
	Balance, due and to be paid when terms of contract are fulfilled	275 35
		\$1,300 00

C. G. HATHAWAY, Sec'y.

WITH THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

Cr.

1890.

April	9.	By paying Wm. Bourne & Son, part pay't. piano	\$106 00
	9.	C. A. Wale, bill	52 07
	29.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	189 47
	30.	Mary R. Fitch, salary	55 24
	30.	May L. Knowlton, salary	52 60
May	8.	J. White Belcher, insurance	56 25
	8.	R. W. Turner, insurance	30 00
	19.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	126 31
	24.	Mary R. Fitch, salary	55 41
	24.	May L. Knowlton, salary	52 60
June	13.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	126 31
	21.	E. W. Campagna, bill	14 20
	23.	H. C. Kendall, diplomas	3 00
	30.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	63 21
	30.	Mary R. Fitch, salary	69 27
	30.	May L. Knowlton, salary	66 05
July	3.	Colin Boyd, bill	31 50
	9.	Hugh J. Molloy, bill	1 94
	9.	American Bank Note Company	2 50
	16.	D. H. Huxford, bill	15 75
Sept.	26.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	147 26
	26.	May L. Knowlton, salary	57 90
	26.	Isabel M. Breed, salary	55 26
Oct.	1.	S. B. Woodman, bill	45 39
	4.	Thos. Farrell, bill	1 50
	20.	J. T. Leahy, wood	5 50
	20.	C. F. and A. W. Stowe, bill	2 80
	20.	Geo. B. Dench, bill	5 00
	27.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	147 36
	27.	May L. Knowlton, salary	57 90
	27.	Isabel H. Breed, salary	55 26
Nov.	17.	F. F. Smith, charcoal	12 00
	24.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	147 36
	24.	May L. Knowlton, salary	57 90
	24.	Isabel M. Breed, salary	55 26
	24.	Thos. Hall, bill	2 60
	24.	Colin Boyd, bill	40 28
Dec.	19.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	110 52
	19.	May L. Knowlton, salary	43 42
	19.	Isabel M. Breed, salary	41 45
	20.	John L. Burke, bill	1 50

1891.

Jan.	13.	N. H. Tirrell, bill	8 90
	13.	D. B. White, coal	62 50
	14.	Stationery, etc.	50
	23.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	147 36
	23.	May L. Knowlton, salary	57 90
	23.	Isabel M. Breed, salary	55 26
	23.	James Fardy, bill	5 00
Feb.	5.	E. A. Perry bill	1 00
	11.	E. W. Campagna, bill	18 89
	17.	John B. Wren, bill	3 00
	20.	May L. Knowlton, salary	57 90
	20.	Isabel M. Breed, salary	55 26
Mar.	13.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary	147 36
	12.	Colin Boyd, bill	31 00
	12.	C. H. Belcher, bill	8 72
	12.	Trustees and Secretary	20 00
Balance			2,941 98
			4 56
			<hr/> \$2,946 54

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1890-91.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

ROYAL W. TURNER, *Treasurer.*

WILLIAM H. BALKAM, JR., *Secretray.*

JOHN B. THAYER, PETER B. HAND, MICHAEL J. DALY,
Selectmen of Randolph, ex officiis.

REV. JOHN C. LARABEE, D.D., JOHN V. BEAL,

NATHANIEL HOWARD, J. WINSOR PRATT,

JOHN B. THAYER, GILBERT A. TOLMAN,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.

Librarian :

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant :

MRS. FRANCES O. HOWARD.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Free Library, the fifteenth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building,

library, and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees, and of the librarian, presented to the trustees, for the year ending December 31, 1890.

TRUST.

The trust, which consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom, remains the same as in previous years.

BUILDING.

The committee on building, (consisting of Royal W. Turner, Rev. J. C. Foster, John B. Thayer, and Michael J. Daly,) report the total amount expended for the year ending December 31, 1890, has been \$1,278.55: — janitor, \$125; fuel, \$152.75; gasoline, \$298.78; repairs, \$605.55; supplies, \$12.39; expressing, \$12.13; fixtures, \$26.50; water and plumbing, \$45.45. The parties who have been supplied with light and heat have paid their proportionate part of the same, as assessed by the committee. The building and library are insured in the sum of \$44,500. The increase in expenditures the past year is largely due to the thorough repairs made on the outside of the building, by vote of the trustees. No extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year.

LIBRARY.

The annual examination was made in the month of July by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Larabee, Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, John J. Crawford, and William H. Balkam, Jr.), and the library was found in its usual excellent condition. A few volumes, after continuous

usage for several years, show more or less wear, and will soon have to be rebound or replaced by new books. The Third Supplementary Catalogue or Finding List, comprising the additions made to the library from May, 1885, to May, 1890, was issued in July last.

With the continued efforts of the present librarian and his assistant there is no reason why the same excellent condition of the library should not continue in the future as in the past, and the purposes for which it was donated be enjoyed more and more by its patrons each succeeding year.

The whole number of volumes in the library,	
December 31, 1890,	11,006
Volumes added during the year,	295
Total number of days the library was open to the	
public,	266
The number of volumes issued during the year, .	15,817
The largest number issued in one day,	200
Smallest number issued in one day,	2
Daily average,	60

FUNDS.

The statement of the committee on finance, herewith submitted, shows the condition of the investments; and the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1890, are set forth in detail in the accompanying report of the treasurer.

ACCOUNT OF ROYAL W. TURNER, TREASURER.

Jan. 1, 1890.

Receipts.

Balance on hand,	\$190 58
Received rent from Randolph National Bank,	200 00
Received rent from Randolph Savings Bank,	100 00
Received rent from Charles H. Belcher,	300 00
Received rent from Ladies' Library Association,	15 00
Received from town, interest on note,	300 00
Received from income of Turner Fund,	580 00
Received from librarian for fines and catalogues,	43 15
Received from banks and others for their proportion of light and heat,	300 46
Received from town appropriation,	500 00
Received from town insurance and expenses on building,	224 24
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	\$2,753 43

Jan. 1, 1890.

xpenditures.

Amount paid for books, papers, magazines, and binding,	\$479 43
Amount paid librarian for salary one year,	500 00
Amount paid janitor for salary one year,	125 00
Amount paid for gasoline and fuel,	451 53
Amount paid for new catalogues,	282 75
Amount paid for printing,	26 50
Amount paid for expressing,	12 13
Amount paid for sundry repairs on library building,	605 55
Amount paid for plumbing,	23 45
Amount paid for sundry supplies, including water,	37 01
Amount paid for fixtures,	26 50
Balance on hand,	183 58
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	\$2,753 43

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, John J. Crawford, J. Winsor Pratt, and Peter B. Hand) report that they have examined the accounts of the treasurer, in compliance with Article 10 of the by-laws, and find that the bills and orders for expenditures, which have been presented for payment, have been

paid by the treasurer, upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor, by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$183.58 is now in the treasury. They further find that all the rents, the interest, and all the revenues, from whatsoever source, have been duly collected and properly secured. The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the balance before mentioned, consist of \$5,000 invested in a promissory note of the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, and the farther sum of \$10,000, known as the "Turner Fund," invested as follows:

"Three bonds of Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad, \$1000 each.

"Two bonds of Union Pacific Railroad, collateral trust, \$1000 each.

"Three bonds of Kansas Pacific Railroad, \$1000 each.

"Two bonds of Burlington and Missouri River Railroad, \$1000 each.

"For the current year the income is estimated as follows:	
From rents,	\$600 00
Interest on town note,	200 00
From Turner Fund,	580 00
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	\$1,380 00

It is recommended by the committee and approved by the trustees that the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated by the town for the year, for the general expenses of the library,

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, March 10, 1891.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.
RANDOLPH, March 1, 1891.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph :

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submit the following as their Annual Report :

On May 1st, 1890, the Department organized as follows :

Board of Engineers.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; John Haney, D. J. Brennau, Con. Desmond, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Clerk*.

Companies.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahoe, *Fireman*.

Steamer No. 2, James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Hose Co. No. 1, James Farrell, *Foreman*, 15 men.

Hose Co. No. 2, G. W. Shedd, *Foreman*, 10 men.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, N. E. Knight, *Foreman*, 20 men.

Chemical Engine Co. No. 1, James Sullivan, *Foreman*, 15 men.

Fires.

April 19, 1890, alarm at 2 A.M. called the apparatus of the central station to a building on North Street, owned and occupied by Lincoln Stetson as a piggery. The building was wholly consumed together with 225 hogs of various ages and sizes; both building and contents insured.

April 21, 1890, 7.30 P.M., alarm for a fire in the barn on Liberty St. owned and occupied by Charles W. Thayer (formerly William Howard). Building wholly consumed, with a portion of contents. Insured. Whole department responded.

July 31, 1890, 7.10 P.M., alarm for a fire in the house on Liberty St. owned and occupied by John Dunn. The fire was caused by lightning having struck the rear chimney of the house, passing off down the outside and down the side of the L and underneath, setting fire to some kindlings there, to which place the fire was confined. Damage about \$100. Insured. Whole department responded.

Nov. 12, 1890, 12.45 P.M., alarm for a fire in the building near the O.C.R.R. station, on Warren St., owned and occupied by Seth A. Thayer as a grain store and coal office.

Nov. 25, 1890, 1 P.M., alarm for a fire in the basement of the stable on Main St. owned and occupied by Charles H. Howard. The fire was confined therein, causing slight damage of about \$100. Whole department responded.

Dec. 12, 1890, 3 A.M., alarm for a fire in a block of ice-houses near North Main St., located on Norroway Lake, and owned by Josiah Clark. Three houses burned, and the fourth one badly damaged. No insurance. Whole department responded. Loss, \$1,000 to \$1,400.

Expenses.

Paid 66 men, services May 1889 to May 1, 1890 .	\$792 00
66 men, 691 hours at 25 cents	172 75

Paid A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus of House No. 1 from Nov. 1889 to May 1890	\$150 00
James Riley, hauling apparatus of House Steamer No. 2	18 00
F. J. Donahue, steward, care of fires from March 1, 1890 to March 1, 1891	83 75
W. M. Howard, steward, care of fires from May 1, 1889 to May 1, 1890	86 50
N. E. Knight, steward H. & L. No. 1, from May 1889 to May 1, 1891	18 75
E. L. Payne, care of Steamer No. 2 to May 1, 1890	5 25
James Farrell, janitor Hose No. 1 to May 1890	6 00
Walter F. Sullivan, steward, etc., Chemical No. 1 from Jan. 18, 1890 to Feb. 4, 1891	87 25
Colin Boyd, care of room for engineers, etc., to May 1891	9 50
Engineer of Steamer to May 1890	40 00
Fireman of Steamer to May 1890	30 00
James Riley, rent of land, Steamer No. 2	15 00
Mary Sullivan, rent of land, Chemical No. 1	10 00
J. E. Blanche, hauling Chemical, No. 1, March 1, 1889 to October 1890	34 00
R. McLennan, strap, belts for apparatus, etc.	22 50
Twoomy and Brennan, rubber coats, etc.	97 50
Boston Woven Hose Co., 2 play pipes	20 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood	8 00
C. Prescott and Co., supplies.	2 65
D. B. White, coal	49 50
S. A. Thayer, coal	6 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies	5 15
W. G. Tirrell, painting coats, etc.	5 00
James Fardy, iron work	10 10
A. S. Jackson, supplies	6 25
Hartford Insurance and Inspection Company	30 00
Total expense	\$1,821 90
Appropriation, \$1,890 00. Balance, \$68 10.	

Apparatus.

The apparatus of the Department is in good condition, and consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four-wheel hose reel, one two-wheel hose reel, one chemical engine, one hook-and-ladder truck, three portable chemical extinguishers, two thousand seven hundred feet of canvas hose, extra ladders in houses of Steamer No. 2 and Chemical No. 1.

In accordance with instructions from the Town, an effort has been made to sell one of the steamers. Committees from several towns have visited us in search of a machine; but we have as yet failed to find a purchaser, notwithstanding our terms are, as we believe, very low. The four-wheel hose reel (hand) has been sold to the town of Braintree, the hose wagon having taken its place in the central station.

All the apparatus is drawn by horses, except the two-wheel hose reel, located in the house of Chemical No. 1.

We have had both steamers inspected by experts in order to ascertain their exact condition; for, to a certain extent, there is more danger from rust while idle than from wear when in use. We have an insurance on them for a stated time.

Houses.

The houses of the Department are in fair condition, with the exception of the house of Steamer No. 1, which will need some repairs to the floor of the first story. As we approach this subject we are reminded of our recommendations in past years, especially those of last year. The need of better accommodations at the central station has been apparent to those who have had charge of matters there for a long time; in fact, ever since the house was built. Since the location of a steamer there we have been short of room more than before. This matter has been discussed in past reports so much that perhaps it will suffice for us to refer you to last year's report on this subject, wherein we detailed more fully our ideas of the needs of the Department in this respect.

Fire Alarm.

Under this head, while we have no particular system to recommend for adoption by the Town, we are still of the opinion that a system of alarm, even on a limited scale, would be of great benefit to the Department; for it must be apparent to every one that it is not correct business to call sixty men and four pieces of apparatus, at an expense of from \$75 to \$100, for every little blaze or heated chimney. Whereas, in contrast with the above, with a system wherewith such portion of the Department could be called as needed, there would be less confusion, better work, and less expense, also of great convenience to members of the Department in locating a fire.

Estimate of Expenses for 1891.

We would recommend that the pay of men be \$12 per year and 50 cents per hour for actual services at fires. One engineer of steamer, \$40; one fireman of steamer, \$40. For general expenses, \$1200.

CHARLES A. WALES,	CHIEF,	
JOHN HANEY,		
DANIEL J. BRENNAN,	}	ASSISTANTS,
CON. DESMOND,		
W. A. CROAK,		CLERK.

Engineers of Fire Department.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE BOARD OF

WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

ALSO

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 28,

1891.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The fifth annual report of the Water Commissioners is herewith presented to the citizens of Randolph; also the report of the Superintendent for the year ending February 28, 1891.

The mains have been extended the past year through a portion of Central Avenue, North and Lafayette Streets.

It is intended as soon as the suits now pending against the town are decided, and a settlement made of the same, to make additional extensions on Lafayette and North Streets.

The stand pipes have been re-painted the past year, and are now in good condition.

The hydrants and gates have been carefully examined and tested by the Superintendent, and the same are believed to be in perfect working order.

But few leaks have occurred on the main pipe line during the entire year, and those have been repaired at slight expense.

The water continues in the same excellent condition for domestic and mechanical purposes as when first introduced.

A new boiler has been purchased the past year, and placed in the pumping station, and proposals are now being considered by the water commissioners for the purchase of a new compound duplex pumping engine. When this is completed and in working order the whole plant and system of water-works for the towns of Randolph and Holbrook, will not be excelled by that of any city or town in the Commonwealth.

Several parties the past year have introduced water motors as a power for manufacturing purposes. As the amount of water required and used is unequal and uncertain, it will soon become necessary to require the use of meters in order to determine the amount of water which is actually used by each party.

The action brought by J. T. Langford in the Middlesex County Superior Court against the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to recover the sum of \$24,325.89, the same being a balance claimed to be due him for laying the main pipes in 1886, was referred to Judge Edmund H. Bennett, of Boston, as Auditor, and after a lengthy hearing the decision of said auditor was in favor of said towns of Randolph and Holbrook.

The Court has not yet passed upon the findings of said Auditor, and no further action up to the present time has been taken towards a settlement by said plaintiff.

Other important matters in which the towns of Randolph and Holbrook are jointly interested have occupied the time and attention of the Water Commissioners to a large extent during the past year.

The first, and perhaps the most important, has been in relation to the suits brought by the mill owners on Monati-quot River against the towns of Braintree, Randolph, and Holbrook, which were entered for trial at the civil session of the Superior Court, holden at Dedham on the first Monday in May, 1890. Hon. William Gaston and Asa P. French, Esq., were retained as counsel by the towns of Randolph and Holbrook, and Hon. Edward Avery and Albert E. Avery, Esq., were retained as counsel for the town of Braintree. Hon. Everett C. Bumpus and Reginald A. Foster, Esq., appeared as counsel for the several mill owners.

Judge James M. Barker presiding at said term proposed referring the several cases to a board of auditors. This proposition was most strenuously objected to on the part of the several towns, and exceptions were taken by counsel to

said reference, claiming a right to a trial before a jury. The Court, however, appointed Horatio G. Parker of Cambridge, James D. Colt of Pittsfield, and Felix Rackemann of Milton as Auditors. The hearings were held in Boston, and commenced July 16, 1890, and continued to September 20. Forty days were occupied before the Auditors, in addition to the time spent in the preliminary preparation and examination of the several cases.

On the 29th day of September, 1890, the Auditors made the following awards:

To the proprietors of mills on Monatiquot River,	\$2,000 00
To G. & E. Hollingsworth,	19,000 00
To Hollingsworth & Whitney, lessees,	1,000 00
To O. Ames Corporation,	3,500 00
To Stephens & Willis,	2,500 00
To A. G. Morrison et al,	9,000 00
To Lydia O. Morrison,	2,000 00
To Jenkins Manufacturing Co.,	11,000 00
To Betsey B. Hobart,	2,000 00

Total,	<u>\$52,000 00</u>
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The total amount claimed was about . . .	\$121,000 00
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The net expense attending said suits, exclusive of counsel fees for the three towns

amounted to	\$5,200 08
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The proportion for Randolph to pay was . . .	1,733 36
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The compensation of the three Auditors

amounted to	3,243 32
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which has been paid by the County of Norfolk.

The cases will probably be tried before a jury at the next May term of the Superior Court at Dedham, as the several awards of the Auditors, in the opinion of the Water Commissioners and counsel, according to the evidence and facts presented, are largely in excess of the damages sustained.

Another subject which will perhaps require the attention

of the Water Commissioners the coming year is the proposition of the City of Quincy to obtain a supply of water near Great Pond. From the statement made at a recent hearing before the State Board of Health, the filtration of water from said pond to their proposed source of supply seems quite probable.

In consequence of purchasing a new boiler and an additional pumping engine, together with the large expense attending the several suits against the town, the past year, all of which will have to be paid for from funds appropriated for the waterworks, it will be necessary the coming year to appropriate a larger sum for the payment of interest on the water bonds.

The interest the past year amounted to \$4,600.

For statistical and other important information in relation to the Water Department, see report of Superintendent, hereto annexed.

Under Section 6, Chapter 217, of the Acts of the Legislature for the year 1885, the town is required each year to make a contribution to the sinking fund, which, with the accumulations thereof, will provide for the payment of the water bonds at maturity.

The amount already invested for said purpose consists of

Three 4 1-2 per cent Fitchburg Railroad bonds	
\$1,000 each,	\$3,000 00
Eight Town of Randolph 4 per cent water bonds,	
\$1,000 each,	8,000 00
Three Old Colony Railroad 4 per cent registered	
bonds, \$1,000 each,	3,000 00
One Main Central bond of \$500,	500 00
Deposited in Randolph Savingf Bank,	23 80
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	\$14,523 80

The Commissioners recommend an appropriation the ensuing year for the following purposes :

For sinking fund,	\$3,575 00
For interest on water loan,	3,500 00
For hydrant and other services,	2,000 00
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	\$9,075 00

Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) of the bonds authorized under Chapter 138 of the Acts of the year 1888 have been sold the past year at a premium of \$225; accrued interest on the same, \$2.11.

Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) of said bonds remain unsold.

Receipts on account of waterworks for the year ending February 28, 1891 :

Town of Randolph (bonds) 5 sold,	\$5,000 00
Premium on same,	225 00
Interest,	2 11
Town of Randolph (appropriation, hydrants, etc.),	2,000 00
Service pipe, account,	745 62
Water rates,	4,524 90
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	\$9,497 63

EXPENDITURES.--MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Joint Works.

Paid Wales Bros., labor,	\$21 00
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies.	20 68
John Underhay, insurance,	80 25
E. J. T. Dexter, engineer at pumping station,	800 00
E. J. Chadbourne, salary as Superintendent,	1,200 00
E. J. Chadbourne, rent of stable,	60 00
E. J. Chadbourne, cash paid and expenses, . .	31 60
E. A. Tabor, heater,	4 00
Old Colony Railroad Co., freight,	1 97
D. B. White, coal,	610 20

Paid H. M. White & Co., supplies	2 59
Asa P. French, on account of professional services,	900 00
S. B. Corliss, labor and materials,	7 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid and expenditure,	1 00
Gaston & Whitney, on account of professional services,	1,250 00
James Fardy, labor and material,	5 00
C. F. & A. W. Stone, labor,	32 85
Thomas Farrell, police duty at pond,	21 00
Expenses in suits of mill owners,	3,466 72
C. A. Wales, labor and material,	8 05
F. H. Langley, labor and material,	17 60
A. J. Gove, expressing,	15 47
S. B. Woodman, labor and material,	439 49
J. White Belcher, insurance,	37 50
Seth Mann, 2d, insurance,	37 50
Smith's Express, carting pipe,	1 50
Vacuum Oil Co., for oil,	18 11
Hartford Steam Boiler and Inspection Co.,	100 00
Boston Bolt Co, supplies,	4 45
Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipe and supplies,	154 16
Chelmsford Foundry Co., supplies,	2 80
Waite, Williams, & Co., oil,	55 55
White & Crooker, express and supplies,	106 70
Walter E. White, supplies,	172 13
Ames Plow Co., tools,	7 35
Dodge, Haley & Co., tools,	25 90
For labor,	250 37
Gilchrist and Gorham, supplies and tools,	23 33
H. R. Stanhope,	4 00
Abbott, Downing & Co., Express wagon,	140 00
A. B. Johnson, labor and material,	10 00
F. J. Witherell, labor and materials,	56 45
G. W. Scofield, labor and materials,	3 00

Paid J. E. Nickerson, labor and materials.	6 02
Coffin Valve Co., materials,	28 55
C. H. McCarter, labor and materials,	62 70
C. W. H. Moulton, step ladder.	9 00
Frank E. Fitz, supplies,	8 93
Griffith Jones, painting stand pipes,	223 11
Chadwick Lead Works, lead,	1 99
Burbank & Ryder, paint.	71 40
E. W. Lyons, clock,	20 00
Waterproof Paint Co., paint.	44 40
A. F. McCabe, tools.	67
Z. P. Jordan, use of carts,	3 00
E. Kendall & Sons, labor and material,	64 32
George T. Wilde & Co., supplies,	1 67
David McCarty, manure,	16 00
John W. Porter, coal,	567 00
C. M. Clapp & Co., supplies.	7 20
James H. Nye, sleigh,	33 00
E. J. Eaton, use of horse,	60 00
C. H. Read & Co., oil,	41 34
C. H. Belcher, supplies,	8 09
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	\$11,490 66
One half paid by each town,	5,745 33
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Total,	\$5,745 33

EXPENDITURES.--CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Joint Works.

Paid Roberts Iron Works Co., new boiler and setting,	\$2,035 66
James Fardy, labor and material,	8 25
Dodge, Haley, & Co., picks, shovels, etc.,	9 61
Chadwick Lead Works, pipe,	1 05

Paid Old Colony Railroad Co., freight,	75
Holly Manufacturing Co., oil cups,	7 20
W. R. Phillips, oil cups,	44 19
B. E. Doonan, labor,	80 50
G. H. Sampson, supplies,	5 10
Gilechrist & Taylor, supplies,	28 29
Roberts Iron Works Co., supplies,	35 88
Total,	\$2,256 48
One half paid by each town,	1,128 24
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MAINTENANCE.—RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid for labor, postage, etc.,	\$31 50
Cornelius McMahon, balance for service, year ending April 1, 1890,	50 00
P. B. Hand, expenses and cash paid,	16 83
J. White Belcher, services for year ending April 1, 1890, including cash paid,	200 00
Old Colony Railroad Co., freight,	1 77
J. L. Bunker, painting hydrants,	1 17
H. M. White & Co., supplies,	4 11
E. Wales, wood for Superintendent's office,	4 00
D. B. White, coal,	1 62
A. J. Gove, expressing,	25 90
Smith's Express, expressing,	4 50
D. H. Huxford, cards and advertising,	42 25
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CONSTRUCTION.—RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid James Fardy, labor and materials,	\$47 10
Arthur B. Curtis, safe,	50 00
George B. Sampson, supplies,	43 05
Paid Chadwick Lead Works, castings,	47 70
Dodge, Haley, & Co., tools,	12 58
Coffin Valve Co., gates,	100 00
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants,	105 91
M. J. Drummond, pipe,	1,291 14
M. J. Drummond, freight,	158 62
Old Colony Railroad Co., freight,	17 32
Gilchrist & Taylor, packing,	5 50
C. H. Mann, carting pipe,	34 00
Adam F. Jones, logs and wood,	6 00
S. B. Corliss, use of derrick,	5 00
George R. Weaver, labor,	15 00
James Riley, carting pipe,	2 23
Labor, laying pipe and trenching,	745 83
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	\$2,816 46

SERVICE.—RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Gilchrist & Gorham, couplings and supplies .	\$56 17
George Goodhue, lining pipes,	65 45
Chadwick Lead Works, lead,	20 67
Walworth Manufacturing Co., pipes, etc.,	186 23
Gilchrist and Taylor, supplies,	280 30
Badger Bros, labor on pipe,	60
Waldo Bros. cement,	4 85
C. A. Wales, labor and material,	17 55
Labor, trenching and laying pipe,	405 84
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	\$1,037 66

Total amount of orders drawn on Treasurer,	\$11,111 34
Rebate on bill of George H. Sampson,	2 00
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	\$11,109 34

J. WHITE BELCHER,
 PETER B HAND,
 CHARLES A. WALES,
Water Commissioners of Randolph.

RANDOLPH, March, 13, 1891.

The undersigned auditors of the Town of Randolph hereby report that they have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and found them correct, with proper vouches for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
 THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph :

Gentlemen,—I herewith present you with my fourth Annual Report, as Superintendent of the Randolph and Holbrook Waterworks, for the municipal year ending Feb. 28, 1891.

At the Pond.

Great care has been taken the past year in maintaining the purity of the water in Great Pond. Nothing has been allowed to remain on the border of the lake that would lead, directly or indirectly, to the contamination of its waters. I congratulate the people of both towns that they have such a healthful and bountiful supply to draw from. At the time of writing, the water is flowing through the new waste-way to the depth of five inches.

Pumping Station.

It became apparent from the time the works were first put in operation that a pump and boiler should be added, and two different times the putting in a new boiler seemed a necessity.

July 21, 1890 a contract was made with the Roberts Iron Works Company, of Cambridgeport, Mass., to build a new horizontal tubular boiler. The specifications called for a

boiler 72 inches in diameter by 16.4 feet long, containing 92 tubes 3-5 inches in diameter by 15 feet long. Shell 3-8 and heads 1-2 inch thick ; shell and heads to be of best Home fire box steel. Longitudinal seams, butted jointed, with inside and outside covering plates, triple riveted — rivets 3-4 inch diameter wire, driven in 13-16 inch holes. Longitudinal braces in the best manner—the stay-rods without weld. With boiler complete castings for setting, consolidated nickel-seated safety-valves, Phillips nickel-plated gauge-cock, Phillips nickel-plated automatic water-gauge, improved brass case 8-inch steam-gauge and combination column. Boiler to be set in the brick-work in a thorough and workmanlike manner, and connected to steam-pipes. The safety-valves to be put on. Combination piped to boiler with brass pipe—furnish-pipe and fittings to connect boiler to main feed-pipe. A new brass internal feed-pipe to be placed in old boiler. To furnish the same with one Phillips nickel-plated water-gauge, three Phillips nickel-plated gauge-cocks, new combination column, and to pipe these fittings to boiler with brass pipe. Also to connect the internal feed-pipe to the main feed-pipe with brass pipe. To furnish and put up two new smoke up-takes, with damper in throat of each, and to connect the same to chimney with a 32-inch diameter smoke-pipe. To furnish and put a Locke's damper regulator in working order. Boiler tested and inspected 180 pounds per square inch. and insured one year in sum of \$400 by the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company.

The terms of the contract have been carried out in every particular, and I do not hesitate to say there is no better equipped and working boiler in Norfolk County.

The old boiler has been in constant use for about three years, and only such repairs as could be made in a few hours have been attempted until the new boiler was put in use. Since then the brick setting has been rebuilt, and the boiler inspected inside and out.

We now have two boilers in first-class condition, and the cost of keeping the two in repair has been reduced to a minimum. The following Report of Engineer, with table, showing amount of water pumped and coal burned.

To the Superintendent of Randolph and Holbrook Waterworks:

The following is my Report for the year ending Feb. 28, 1891.

The engine and boilers are in first-class repair. The new engine, put in the last of 1889, was started Jan. 1, 1890, and is to-day working better and with nearly twenty per cent more economy of fuel than when accepted. The boilers are clean, and free from scales or other deposit.

For the past twelve months we have pumped 71,713,934 gallons of water. Total time of running, 1172.5 hours. Amount of coal used, including starting and banking fires, 490,858 lbs. Increase of pumping over last year, 26,322,634 gallons. Number of gallons put into stand pipe per one pound of coal used, 146. The largest pumping in one day, July 29, 835,450 gallons. Smallest, April 3, pumped 94,913 gallons.

The following table shows the work for each month :

	LENGTH OF RUN.		COAL BURNED	GALLONS
	Hours.	Min.	In lbs.	Pumped.
March,	57	30	27,322	3,309,622
April,	53	25	25,665	3,166,030
May,	66	00	29,508	3,818,146
June,	101	00	38,889	5,346,296
July,	197	15	64,341	11,528,652
August,	107	05	43,131	7,010,960
September,	105	55	33,552	6,441,676
October,	101	45	41,925	6,129,320
November,	85	00	40,701	5,150,898
December,	105	45	49,724	6,821,426
January,	106	35	51,423	6,950,138
February,	85	15	44,677	6,040,770
Totals,	1172	30	490,858	71,713,934

Respectfully,

E. J. T. DEXTER, ENGINEER.

The coal house received one coat of paint during the last summer, and no repairs will be required the coming year. The grounds about the pumping station received the usual care. A part of the ground south of the south driveway was graded, and without doubt will be finished the present year.

Stand Pipes.

In June last a crack was found in the flange of the 12-inch pipe that was riveted to the bottom of the Randolph stand pipe. The break was similar to the one that occurred in the Holbrook pipe the year before.

During the repairs the inside was thoroughly cleaned and two coats of paint applied; the outside was painted once with the so-called Government Water-proof Paint, and with good results. The Holbrook stand pipe received one coat outside of the same paint that was used on the Randolph pipe; the inside was cleaned and painted the previous Autumn. Both stand pipes are in first-class condition, and, debarring accidents, no outlay will be required the coming year.

The Holbrook stand pipe lot was ploughed, graded, and seeded to grass last fall.

Water Mains.

The water mains are in good condition. A few joint leaks have been found, and repaired, in most cases, without the shutting off of water. No leaks have occurred in any pipes laid the past year.

Fire Hydrants.

Four hydrants have been added the past year, making in all one hundred and nineteen belonging to the works. Two

were moved, on Liberty Street, to correspond with the outside edge of the sidewalk. Hydrants were inspected in the Fall, and found in working order.

New Extensions.

The laying of water mains, setting hydrants and gates, and putting in of services was done by men employed directly by the Water Department under the direction of the Superintendent. In former years this work has been let out. A new Abbot Downing wagon and suitable tools were purchased, which necessitated an outlay that will not be required again for several years to come. The work was well and economically done, and at a saving to the Department.

Names of streets that were piped the past season, with lengths of mains.

Orchard Street, 119.8 feet of 1-inch pipe.

School Street, 88 feet of 1-inch pipe.

North Street, 1,190 feet of 6-inch pipe.

North Street, 24 feet of 4-inch pipe.

North Street, 1 hydrant.

North Street, 2 six and one four-inch gate.

New Street, 510 feet of 6-inch pipe.

New Street, 1 hydrant and 1 four-inch gate.

Lafayette Street, 1,600 feet of 6-inch pipe.

Lafayette Street, 2 hydrants.

Lafayette Street, 2 six-inch gates.

Service Pipe.

We have made fifty-seven taps, laying 2645.9 feet of 3-4

inch pipe, 62 feet of 3-inch, and 291 feet of 4-inch pipe, and are now supplying

- 452 families,
- 1 church,
- 4 school-houses,
- 4 halls,
- 13 stores and offices,
- 2 laundries,
- 1 hotel,
- 1 barber shop,
- 1 bakery,
- 6 greenhouses,
- 3 public stables,
- 22 private stables,
- 1 depot,
- 6 boilers,
- 3 motors,
- 5 drinking fountains and troughs.

Inventory of Stock and Tools at Shop.

- 1 tapping machine,
- 1 vise,
- 1 die stock,
- 2 pipe cutters,
- Calking irons and chisel,
- 1 furnace and lead kettle,
- 1 ladle,
- 3 gate wrenches,
- 1 pump,
- 6 lanterns,
- 3 pairs of rubber mitts,
- 1 stone hammer,
- 2 striking hammers,

1	small hammer,			
18	shovels,			
18	picks,			
1	bar,			
1	steel drill,			
16	T.H. stop and wastes,			
5	Gorham stop and wastes,			
5	corporation cocks,			
2	pounds of brass fittings,			
2,800	feet of 7-8 cement-lined pipe,			
9	service boxes,			
1	4 inch and 6 inch gate,			
10	lengths of 4 inch cast-iron pipe,			
4	"	6	"	"
4	"	8	"	"
10	"	10	"	"
12	"	12	"	"
4	"	14	"	"
4	"	4 inch off 8 inch branch.		
3	"	4	"	10
1	"	4	"	14
1	"	14	"	14
1	"	4 inch sleeves.		
3	"	6	"	"
2	"	8	"	"
1	"	10	"	"
1	"	12	"	"
2	"	14	"	"
1	"	6 inch eight fend,		
1	"	6 inch eight fend.		

At Stable.

1 horse,
1 express and 1 light wagon,

1 heavy and 1 light harness,
 1 sleigh,
 Robes and blankets.

At Pumping Station.

5 step ladders,
 1 20 inch ladder,
 2 sets of file tools,
 1 set of dies and stocks from 1-4 inch to 1 inch.
 2 pipe cutters,
 2 Stillson wrenches,
 3 monkey-wrenches,
 1 vise,
 1 plumbers' furnace,
 2 soldering coppers,
 1 lawn mower,
 1 lawn roller,
 1 lawn sprinkle,
 1 wheelbarrow,
 1 iron tray-barrow,
 1 grass hook,
 1 snathe and snathe and scythe,
 1 grindstone,
 1 gate wrench.

Receipts on Account of Water and Service Pipe.

Whole amount received for the year ending Feb. 28,

Cash from Water	\$4,534 40
Cash from Service Pipe and Labor	755 62

\$5,280 62

Cash to H. C. Alden, Treas.	\$5,270 32
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Cash refunded,	2 50
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\$2,280 02

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. CHADBOURNE,

Superintendent.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Dr. TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT

1891.

Paid town orders; old order, No. 1120, 2.37; orders Nos.

1 to 1,222, inclusive, \$54,142.46,	\$54,144 83
Treasury notes,	22,000 00
Interest on treasury notes,	1,780 31
Interest on water bonds,	4,440 00
Water Commissioners net proceeds of bonds issued,	5,227 11
State Treasurer, state tax,	\$2,082 50
State Treasurer, National Bank tax,	3,224 11
State Treasurer, corporation tax,	5 94
	<hr/> 5,312 55
State Treasurer, proportion of liquor licenses,	975 50
County Treasurer, county tax,	1,601 48
Expense,	446 21
T. T. Cushman, returning births,	1 00
A. L. Chase, returning births,	4 00
O. M. Sheridan, returning births,	2 75
W. M. Babbitt, returning births,	25
E. P. Linfield, returning births,	25
E. A. Allen, returning births,	2 50
F. C. Granger, returning births,	10 25
H. C. Alden, collecting and returning	
births, marriages, and deaths,	65 85
Ralph Houghton, returning deaths,	21 50
Thorp, Adams & Co.,	5 50
Stamps and stationery,	6 75
Rubber stamp, \$3, book \$2.25, Boston	
Engraving Co. \$1,	6 25
E. F. Knight, East Norfolk court fees,	7 36
G. E. Easton, " " " "	7 00
Treasurer,	300 00
Town Clerk, election returns,	5 00

Stetson High School Fund, rebate on bank tax, 188 64

*Balance, 14,304 59

\$110,421 22

*T. Dolan, tax collector, \$10,036 07

Cash and bills paid, 4,268 52

\$14,304 59

WITH HIRAM C. ALDEN, Treasurer.

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1891.

Balance.	\$9,907 78	
Received for treasury notes.	31,300 00	
for bank dividends,	80 00	
for interest and premiums on bonds issued,	227 11	
for interest and premiums on notes issued,	160 30	
for interest, T. Dolan tax collector, taxes 1889,	396 47	
for dog licenses, County Treasurer,	553 75	
for billiard and pool table licenses,	6 00	
for auctioneer licenses,	4 00	
for circus licenses,	5 00	
for water bonds issued,	5,000 00	
for use of lockup	{ 28 00	
	{ 9 50	
for liquor licenses,	3,902 00	
for additional taxes, T. Dolan, tax collector.	8 00	
of Ginn Co., for overpaid bill,	11 25	
of J. B. Thayer, Braintree records sold,	7 50	
of Superintending School Committee. sundry accounts,	23 34	
of State Treasurer:		
Corporation tax.	\$4,463 58	
National Bank tax,	3,252 97	
State aid,	703 50	
Military aid,	1,637 00	
School fund,	185 63	
State pauper,	11 07	
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	10,253 75	
of Selectmen, sundry accounts,	1,934 58	
of Town of Methuen, pauper account.	24 00	
of City of Taunton, " "	41 35	
of Town of Groton, " "	37 15	
of Town of Stoughton, " "	35 00	
of Town of Avon, " "	34 00	
of City of Quincy, " "	21 80	
of Town of Canton, " "	132 44	
of Town of Braintree, " "	238 58	
of Town of Weymouth, " "	16 80	
of Town of Duxbury, " "	19 00	
of Town of Easton, " "	80 85	
of Town Farm, " "	34 50	
Tax bill, 1890,	41,553 60	
of Town of Holbrook,	1,393 82	
of Water Commissioners on account of interest on bonds,	2,940 00	
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	\$110,421 22	

State of the Treasury.

1891. March.	DR.	
Town Notes outstanding		\$42,800 00
Water Bonds		115,000 00
Interest due on Bonds and Notes		3,000 00
Unpaid bills and firemen		1,500 00
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		\$162,300 00

1891. March.	CR.	
Coddington Fund :		
Bank Stock	\$1,600 00	
Salt Marsh	300 00	
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In hands of Treasurer, cash and bills paid		4,268 52
Due from F. Dolan, Tax Collector, 1890		10,036 07
Due for State Aid		1,787 00
Due for Military Aid		766 00
Due from other towns		636 00
Amount of Sinking Fund for Water Bonds		14,523 80
Balance		128,382 61
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		\$162,300 00

RANDOLPH, March 13, 1891.

The undersigned Auditors of the Town of Randolph respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

Randolph Water Works in Account with Hiram C. Alden,
Treasurer.

Dr.

1890. Balance	\$819 06
Received of E. J. Chadbourne, Sup't, for water rates, year ending March 1, 1891	4,524 90
for water connections	745 62
Received of Town of Randolph for net pro- ceeds of one Water Bond	1,027 11
Received of Town of Randolph for water service	2,000 00
Received of Town of Randolph for sinking fund	3,575 00
Received of Town of Holbrook for balance on joint bills	19 02
Received of Water Commissioners on ac- count of loan	1,500 00
Received of Town of Randolph, net pro- ceeds of four (4) Water Bonds	4,200 00
Received of George H. Sampson	2 00
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	\$18,413 31

1890. Cr.

Paid sundry orders	\$11,111 34
Sinking Fund	3,575 00
Town of Randolph, on account of in- terest on Water Bonds	2,940 00
Balance	786 97
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	\$18,413 31

RANDOLPH, March 14, 1891.

We, the undersigned Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the account of Hiram C. Alden, as Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct, and the balance, as stated above, to be on deposit in the Randolph National Bank.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

1890.	DR.	
March	Received for coupons on Fitchburg R.R. Bonds	\$67 50
April	Received for coupons on Maine Central R.R. Bonds	15 00
May	Received for coupons on Town of Ran- dolph Bonds	80 00
July	Received for coupons on Old Colony R.R. Bonds	60 00
Sept.	Received for coupons on Fitchburg R.R. Bonds	67 50
Sept.	Received for coupons on Maine Central R.R. Bonds	15 00
Sept.	Received for coupons on Randolph Sav- ings Bank	8 80
Nov.	Received for coupons on Town of Ran- dolph Bonds,	80 00
	Received of Town of Randolph amonnt voted to Sinking Fund	3575 00
1891.	Received for O.C.R.R. Bonds	60 00
		\$4,223 80
	CR.	
Paid for Randolph Water Bonds,		\$4,200 00
Balance.		23 80
		\$4,223 80

General Account.

Amount to credit of Sinking Fund as follows :

3 coupon bonds of the Fitchburg Railroad, \$1000	
each, four and one-half per cent,	\$3000 00
8 coupon bonds of the Town of Randolph, \$1,000	
each, four per cent,	8,000 00
1 registered bond of the Old Colony Railroad four per	
cent.	3,000 00
1 coupon bond of the Maine Central Railroad, six per	
cent,	500 00
Randolph Savings bank,	23 80
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	\$14,523 80

RANDOLPH, March 14, 1891.

The undersigned auditors of the Town of Randolph have examined the Sinking Fund statement of Hiram C. Alden, Treasurer, and find the same correct.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Randolph in 1890.

1890. DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Jan. 30	William Roland Davis	George A. and Inez H. Broad.
" 5	Gertrude O'Brien (dead)	William P. and Joanna M. Barry.
" 25	Kenny C. Knight	John H. and Ellen M. Penniman.
" 12	Edna Frances Bump	George W. and Eunice Belcher.
" 10	Ellis Ray Glover	John H. and Lillian M. Stetson.
" 13	—— Morrison	John and Ellen F. Brown.
" 31	Clarence H. Payne	Willie H. and Jennie E. Burrell.
Feb. 18	Thomas Henry Perkins, Jr.	Thomas Henry and Jennie M. Otis.
" 27	Alice Charlotte Dench	Edward B. and Theresa C. Kinsley.
Mar. 31	Mary Josephine Leahy	Daniel and Sarah E. Bennison.
" 8	Clifton Ray Mann	Alton H. and Josie Williams.
" 28	Guy Ashley Poole	John H. and Sarah A. Wentworth.
" 13	Henry Edward Dexter	Edward J. T. and Caroline Collins.
" 2	Edward O'Flaherty, Jr.	Edward and Katie M. Roddan.
" 25	John Francis Pierce	Burton I. and Maria A. Finnegan.
" 20	—— Young	Charles E. and Minnie Knight.
April 14	Annie Florence Jones	Clarence M. and Susie M. Burgess.
" 2	Helen Beatrice O'Brien	Chipman and Margaret A. Martin.
" 25	Catharine Hannerberry	John and Hannah M. Lally.
" 23	Joseph Carroll	Thomas E. and Mary Jane McMinery.
" 28	Anna May Foley	James E. and Margaret Barry.
" 12	Thomas Francis Deane	Patrick H. and Lizzie F. Cokeley.
" 15	Mary Louise Marcille	John C. and Winnifred A. Hughes.
" 5	Alice Camille Hand	Edward T. and Lizzie M. Dillon.
" 10	Amy Frances Kilam	W. F. and Mary E. Poole.
" 15	—— Bump (dead)	Fred and Jennie Shedd.
" 19	James Francis Costello	James and Lillian Carter.
May 31	Ray Clifton Whalen	Forrest E. and Ellen J. Igo.
" 3	Arthur Field Burrell	Henry T. and Nellie M. Field.
" 16	Elizabeth DeNeil	Timothy and Mary J. Heney.
" 7	Ethel McAuley	Charles E. and Emma L. Hunting.
" 30	Mary Josephine Holden	Michael and Alice May Burke.
" 17	Victor Meredith Hogan	William J. and Helen C. Allard.
" 18	—— O'Keefe	Bartholomew and Hannah Ahearn.
" 8	—— Devine	Martin and Catharine Noonan.
" 22	—— Sheehan (dead)	Patrick J. and Ellen C. Welch.
June 7	Mary Elizabeth Moors	Albert H. and Annie McMahon.
" 7	Edward F. Moors (dead)	" " " "
" 30	Clara F. Rudderham (dead)	John E. and Frances McLean.
" 27	Elizabeth Smith (dead)	Martin F. and Mary E. Callahan.
" 7	—— Kelly	John H. and Sarah A. Wood.
July 31	Thomas Madigan	Patrick and Ellen F. Scanlon.
" 29	Charles Joseph Dolan	Charles S. and Catharine B. Walsh.
" 10	Patrick McDonnell	Hugh F. and Nora Harty.
" 30	James E. Sullivan	Patrick J. and Mary E. Brennan.

1890. DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Mar. 23	Catharine May Murphy	John and Catharine Casey.
July 1	Lewis M. Hagney	Arthur and Mary E. Kiley.
" 8	Gertrude Murringham	Anthony and Mary Jane McLean.
Aug. 5	Mabel Frances Easton	George E. and Margaret A. Shepard.
" 28	Joseph Carroll	William J. and Mary J. Hanley.
" 10	George E. Burrell	George P. and Susie E. Jones.
" 28	Bertha Louise Best	William R. and Mary Gibbons.
" 14	George Henry Kiley	Thomas F. and Joanna Cruten.
" 10	John J. Heney	William and Margaret Dwyer.
" 12	Ethel May Allen	Thomas J. and Anna Busby.
Sept. 9	Herbert Oliver Jones	Albert E. and Edith A. Leach.
" 27	James Mulligan	Luke F. and Bridget A. Harty.
" 28	Edward J. Foley	David J. and Kate F. Dolan.
" 19	Nora Rice	Stephen and Ellen F. Kiley.
" 8	Margaret Kellier	Dennis and Rose Riley.
Oct. 23	Cornelius McMahon (dead)	George H. and Margaret Daly.
" 10	Bertha A. Leavitt	William P. and Florence E. Polk.
" 16	James H. Maney	James H. and Lizzie J. McKay.
" 29	Joseph Desmond	John Jr. and Anna Brosnihan.
" 9	Elizabeth Brennan	Daniel J. and Bridget M. Rooney.
" 9	— Brennan (dead)	" " " "
" 17	Julia Dunn	John and Catharine Green.
" 12	John Joseph Mahoney	Jeremiah J. and Anna A. Sullivan.
" 26	Charles Henry Drury	Henry F. and Mary A. McGuire.
" 31	George Sullivan	John A. and Rachel J. Sweeney.
" 15	Caroline Elizabeth Stone	Amos W. and Ida M. Williams.
Nov. 10	Marion Gertrude Howard	Charles F. and Lydia A. Purrington.
" 20	William Carney	James and Mary A. Gibbons.
" 27	Ray French Hayden	H. Willie and Mary A. French.
" 11	Florence Estelle Woods	Charles W. and Anna A. Alden.
" 2	Ida Elsie Fischer	Julius and Elizabeth Kraut.
" 30	George Brady (dead)	Thomas and Bessie McKenzie.
" 30	James H. Brady (dead)	" " " "
" 2	Blanche Maney	Edward F. and Susie M. Blythe.
" 9	William G. Jones	Griffith and Sarah Owens.
Dec. 3	— Wales	Charles A. and Ella F. Howard.
" 5	Marguerite M. Hayes	John and Katie Manning.
" 8	Mary Kinnear	Patrick and Joanna E. Burke.
" 21	Joseph G. Cunningham	David and Adelia M. Willins.
" 14	Elizabeth M. Vye	Frederic W. and Lizzie S. Wallace.
" 8	Elizabeth Sullivan	Michael F. and Jane A. Strickland.
" 28	Jesse Stillman Beal	Frank M. and Anna W. Belcher.
" 9	Marion F. Scott	Arthur L. and Eunice E. Holbrook.
" 25	Gertrude M. Howard	Walter M. and Nora E. Barry.
" 19	John Edward O'Keefe	Cornelius and Catharine Gaines.
'89 Jul. 31	Fanny Jane Schwartz	Simeon and Lizzie Doherty.
'89 Oct. 6	John Jos. McDonald (dead)	John and Sarah Shay.

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Randolph in 1890.

DATE 1890		NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
JAN'Y	7	John W. Leary, Louisa M. Brown,	Hinsdale, N. H. Randolph,	28 36
"	25	George H. Bunker, Rose Ahearn,	Randolph, "	26 22
FEB'Y	12	Michael Shay, Mary Jane Blanche,	Holbrook, Randolph,	34 33
"	13	Thomas F. Heney, Eliz. Weatherbee (De Vere)	Randolph, "	29 24
"	4	Daniel F. Gibbons, Annie E. Dennen,	Randolph, Boston,	23 21
"	25	Edward W. Parker, E. Lillian Burrell,	Randolph, "	25 29
"	28	Charles Eddy, Sarah Jane Allen,	Randolph, "	58 27
MARCH	27	Francis Joseph Mansfield, Etta May Beyett,	South Braintree, Randolph,	23 18
APRIL	2	Clarence M. Jones, Susie M. Burgess,	Randolph, "	19 20
"	23	Edward F. Coolidge, Rosa S. Payne,	Randolph, "	21 21
MAY	8	John T. Lyons, Mary A. Flannagan,	Randolph, Hyde Park,	23 24
"	15	W. S. Dutton, Ida R. Billings,	Randolph, Canton,	28 21
"	29	Walter H. Berry, Minnie W. Corliss,	Randolph, "	20 32

DATE 1890		NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
MAY	13	Henry M. Chamberlain, Mary McKenzie,	Avon, "	23 24
"	22	Alban D. Gillis, Mary A. Dunn,	Cambridge, Randolph,	23 23
"	29	William S. Beatty, Lucy A. McMahon,	Randolph, "	32 26
JUNE	4	Cornelius F. Keefe, Catharine Gaines,	Randolph, Abington,	22 21
"	8	John Henry Kelly, Sarah H. Wood,	Brockton, Randolph,	38 22
JULY	2	John P. Brady, Frances Jane Powderly,	Randolph. "	23 23
"	8	William P. Reardon, Mary A. Barry,	Brockton, Randolph,	28 26
"	16	John F. Beyett, Maria E. Stetson.	Randolph, "	22 18
"	15	Francis E. Woodward, Catharine A. Meaney,	Randolph, "	24 25
"	16	William A. Burrell, Mary E. Field,	Randolph, "	25 21
"	30	George F. French, Hannah L. Murphy, Mann, Niles,	Randolph, "	45 45
"	30	Fred W. Montsie, Ida A. Fellman,	Randolph, "	41 39
"	28	William H. Gibbons, Nellie N. DeNeil,	Randolph, "	26 24
AUGUST	27	Oliver M. Sheridan, Mary E. Sweeney,	Randolph, "	27 26
SEPT.	4	John J. Gavin, Ella M. White,	Boston, Randolph,	29 24
"	11	Joseph J. Dench, Mary A. Dennehey,	Randolph, "	26 24

DATE 1890		NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
SEPT.	17	Frederick A. May, Antoinette T. Smith,	Canton, Randolph,	50 46
"	22	Peter F. Sheppard, Nellie Sweeney,	Randolph. "	26 25
OCT.	8	James A. Richardson, Harriet E. Burrell,	Cambridge, Randolph,	22 21
"	25	Horace F. Libby, Ella M. Edwards,	Randolph, Stoneham,	23 18
"	13	Patrick H. Hoyer, Mary E. Heney,	Randolph, "	30 29
"	28	Patrick Carroll, Mary Agnes Kelly,	Randolph, "	26 24
NOV.	15	Harlan L. DeForrest, Lillian A. Langley,	Randolph, "	21 18
"	26	John Henry Pero, Geneva I. Bourne,	Randolph, Brockton,	25 22
"	27	Edward J. Dolan, Julia F. Walsh,	Randolph, Weymouth,	28 25
"	27	Daniel J. Sullivan, Mary E. Barry,	Randolph, "	28 27
DEC.	3	Herbert F. French, Grace L. Moulton,	Randolph, "	22 22
NOV.	27	John F. Goeres, Mary Alice McCabe.	Randolph, Avon,	28 28
DEC.	6	Clifton W. M. Blanchard, Emma R. Pillsbury,	Randolph, Scarboro, Maine.	23 20
AUG.	28	Richard J. McAuliffe, Catharine Dempsey,	Randolph, Canton,	25 25
OCT.	9	Patrick H. Maney, Eliza J. Flaherty,	Randolph, Canton,	24 24

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Randolph in 1890.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1890.		Y. M. D.	
Jan. 3	John H. Kennedy	11 10 22	Diphtheria
3	Henry Wahl	2 4	Croup
6	Anna Agnes Mahoney	1 11 13	Diphtheria
7	Dennis Shay, jr.	33 4 14	Consumption
7	Clifton A. Reynolds	30 1 27	Consumption
8	Sadie P. Hickey	20 5 21	Typhoid Fever
9	Catharine Keirnan (Sheridan)	78 10 16	Paralysis
15	Thomas Good	80	Pneumonia
18	Jane Kelliher (Conatty)	56	Chronic Pneumonia
19	Ellen G. McLaughlan	16 11	Tonsilitis
25	Joseph Mann	77 9 25	Bright's Disease
25	Julia Sheridan (Cousins)	50	Strangulated Hernia
28	Francis E. McGerigle	8 6	Diphtheretic Croup
29	Patrick Donovan	4 10 29	Diphtheretic Croup
Feb. 2	Charles H. Howard, jr.	37 1 15	Heart Disease
4	Chester Warren Hayden	1 4 25	Diphtheria
6	Harriet Shedd	78 8	Apoplexy
7	Wales B. Thayer	51 8 25	Cancer
8	Hannah J. Knight (Curtis)	47 2 26	Atrophy of Brain
8	Edward D. Brennan	16 2 20	Diphtheria Nephitis
18	Mary R. Gibbons (Noonan)	35 6 3	Cancer
18	Catharine L. Finnessey	14 4	Diphtheria Nephitis
19	Thomas Kiley	72 7 16	Cirrhosis Liver
20	George Sweeney	60 9 11	Homeoptysis
Mar. 1	Harriet L. Mansfield (Derby)	63 11 7	Consumption
13	Wales French	66 1 16	Cerebral Hemorrhage
14	Syria W. Payne	66 2 14	Pneumonia
16	Charles T. Barrett	6 2 12	Diphtheria
18	David McKay	75	Old Age
20	George Howard, <i>Vet. Soldier</i>	69 10 17	Dropsy
28	Rose M. Dolan	21 7 15	Phthisis
31	James A. Tower	57	Heart Failure
April 3	Patrick Madigan, jr.	1 5 7	Convulsions
12	Mary McAuliffe	4 5 24	Diphtheria
15	— Bump		Premature Birth
18	George W. Burrell	63 11 20	Cancer Liver & Kidney
8	Patrick Kiley, <i>Vet. Soldier</i>	70	Drowning
23	Frederick Miller	41	Intemp. and exposure
27	John D. O'Brien	10 23	Teething, Inflamm. Lungs
28	Henry P. Brady	3 4 18	Diphtheria

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1890.		Y. M. D.	
May 4	Peter J. Kiernan	24 4 26	Heart Disease
6	Leo Grover Peirce	4 12	Dentition
9	Anna E. Neary	13 3 14	Malignant Diphtheria
10	John J. Madigan	42 17	Phthisis
13	Bradford L. Wales	86 12	Old Age
18	Michael Linnehan	4 9 19	Diphtheria
21	Joanna Farrell (Fitz Henry)	43	Abdominal Tumor
22	Dennis Sullivan	71 11	Apoplexy
19	Charles A. Stevenson	23 9 14	Consumption
23	—— Sheehan	1	Infantile
30	George H. Wilkins	54 5 12	Bright's Disease
June 12	James W. O'Keefe	1 8 25	Diphtheria
14	Anna Curran	9 1 19	Diphtheria
25	Ada G. Allen	25 3 29	Epilepsy
28	George Wilde	64 10 12	Paralysis
July 1	Thomas Hand	7 22	Phthisis
2	Nicholas Linnehan, jr.	9 26	Teething
3	Edward J. Foley	17 3 20	Consumption
3	Patrick Sheridan	76	Old Age
5	Silas Dyer	84 10 7	Old Age
6	Simon W. Leavitt	58 6 9	Cerebral Hemorrhage
15	Bridgett Cain (Riley)	52 8 0	Valvular Dis. of Heart
16	Eddie Devine	4 5 21	Diphtheria Nephritis
17	Mary E. Devine	8 13	Diphtheria Sternosis
17	Lucy M. Hawes (Jones)	50 6 14	Cancer
22	John T. Drury	28 4 5	Phthisis
Aug. 3	Levi Briggs	73 1 29	Inflammation of Lungs
8	John J. Gogan	6 13	Cholera Infantum
9	John J. McDonald	11 5	Cholera Infantum
10	Daniel Leahy	66 52	Heart Failure
11	Chas. H. Thayer, <i>Vet. Soldier</i>	44 4 25	Scrofula
11	John E. Sutton	9	Cholera Infantum
11	James Buss	28	Phthisis Pulmonatis
19	Joel Woods	75 7 14	Dis. of Urinary Organs
22	Leon W. Sloan	16 18	Cholera Infantum
26	Eugene N. Wilbur	41 7 20	Pneumonia
26	Mary A. Estey	84 1 10	Paralysis
28	Clara F. Rudderham	1 29	Cholera Infantum
Sept. 3	James E. Nash	56 11 8	Suicide,—shooting
11	Alice Roddan	1 6 8	Membraneous Croup
6	Agnes Heney	1 19	Diarrhoea, Inanition
13	Edward F. Moors	3 8	Cholera Infantum
27	Marcus M. Holbrook	50	Diabetis Miletis
Oct. 8	John J. Haney	1 28	Marasmus
9	—— Brennan	1	Infantile
14	Rosetta Mann (Howard)	82 3 16	Old Age

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1890.		Y. M. D.	
Oct. 16	Emeline R. Mann (Mitchell)	76 8 21	Old Age, Dropsy
22	—— McMahon	1	Electasis
28	Lonisa H. Alden (Ross)	79 22	Consumption
29	Hannah J. Neary	34 7	Consumption
Nov. 4	Nellie G. Beal	20 18	Gastritis Typhilitis
10	Ruth L. Jones	3 3 8	Tuberculosis
25	Harry E. Tileston	20 7 28	Consumption
Dec. 3	Bessie Brady (McKenzie)	36	Pleuro-Pneumonia
4	James Henry Brady — twin		Infantile
5	Elizabeth Smith	5 8	Spinal Bifida
Nov. 29	Rev. Charles H. Rowe	56 10 10	Heart Disease
Dec. 7	Martha Hurd	60	Cirrhosis Liver
7	George Brady	8	Infantile
12	Mary J. O'Brien (Dooley)	30 1 15	Bronchial Phthisis
19	James G. Whalen	18 8 27	Phthisis Pulmonalis
21	John Barrett	29 1 23	Typhoid Pneumonia
25	Julia A. Whittier (Taylor)	70 6	Heart Dis. Pneumonia
31	William J. Long	27 11 14	Heart Failure
1889.			
Dec. 29	Herbert Jones	25 6 27	Consumption

Disease, or Cause of Death.

Convulsions, Premature Birth, Drowning, Intemperance and Exposure, Dentition, Epilepsy, Inflammation of Lungs, Scrofula, Suicide, Disease of Urinary Organs, Diarrhoea, Diabetis, Marasmus, Atelectasis, Gastritis Typhetitis, Pleuro-Pneumonia, Spinal Bifida, Tuberculosis, Typhoid Fever, Tonsiletis, Strangulated Hernia, Atrophy of Brain, Homeoptysis, Dropsy, Abdominal Tumor, 1 each.

Diphtheretic Croup, Apoplexy, Cirrhosis Liver, Croup, Bright's Disease, Teething. Cerebral Hemorrhage, 2 each.

Paralysis, 3.

Infantile, Cancer, 4 each.

Pneumonia, Diphtheria Nephritis, 5 each.

Cholera Infantum, Old Age, 6 each.

Phthisis, Heart Disease, 7 each.

Consumption, 9.

Diphtheria, 10.

Under 5 years of age,	31
Between 5 and 10,	3
„ 10 and 20,	7
„ 20 and 40,	17
„ 40 and 60,	19
„ 60 and 80,	23
Over 80,	4
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Total,	105

Any person noticing any error in the publication of the Statistics of the Marriages, Births, and Deaths will please report the same to the Town Clerk, and have them corrected.

HIRAM C. ALDEN,

TOWN CLERK.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
NORFOLK, SS. }

*To either of the constables of the Town of Randolph in said
County,* GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday, the sixth day of April next, at 7 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said Meeting.

ART. 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot ; also, on same ballot, to vote " yes " or " no " in answer to the question, Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town ?

ART. 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

ART. 4. To hear the report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

ART. 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

ART. 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the ensuing year, and make appropriations therefor.

ART. 8. To see what action the town will take in regard to engines and pay of engine-men, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 9. To see what action the town will take to complete the alterations ordered by the County Commissioners on Liberty and North Streets, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 10. To see what action the town will take to complete the alterations of Lafayette Street as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 11. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on the northerly side of West Street, as petitioned for by John J. Brown and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 12. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles, Post No. 110, G. A. R.

ART. 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of interest on the Randolph Water Loan.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan when due.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, and drinking fountains.

ART. 16. To see what action the town will take in relation to making an appropriation for the Turner Free Library as recommended by the trustees.

ART. 17. To see what action the town will take in relation to heating and ventilating school buildings, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to repairs on Stetson Hall building, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 19. To see what action the town will take in relation to repairs on Matthew Clark building, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 20. To see what action the town will take in relation

to paying a bounty of one hundred dollars each to Charles Tileston, James Halpin, and Michael Lynch, who served during the late war as a part of the quota of Randolph, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 21. To see what action the town will take in relation to building a new school-house in School District No. 3, as petitioned for by Wellington Lewis and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 22. To see what action the town will take in relation to maintaining guide posts, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate five hundred dollars for special improvements, when the Business and Improvement Society expend an equal amount.

ART. 24. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

ART. 25. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor for the ensuing year, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 26. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care of and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregationalist and First Baptist Churches, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

ART. 28. To see if the town will permit the use of land adjoining St. Mary's Cemetery, North Street, for the purpose of burial.

ART. 29. To see if the town will permit the use of water in the cemeteries without charge.

ART. 30. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors, as prepared by the selectmen, and posted according to law.

ART. 31. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the selectmen to be the agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any way interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any manner to the water supply.

ART. 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint

the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any way interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of the Great Pond or in the construction of the waterworks, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217, of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

ART. 34. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 431, of the Acts of 1888, relating to the employment of a superintendent of schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 35. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a Town Treasurer may use when acting as a collector.

ART. 36. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes unpaid on and after October tenth, A. D. 1891.

ART. 37. To see what action the town will take in regard to changing the time when the fiscal year shall close ; also in relation to changing the time for holding the annual town meeting.

ART. 38. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to appoint special officers to enforce the laws, and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 39. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at seven o'clock, and will remain open for four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk, on or before the time and hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this twenty-fifth day of March, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

PETER B. HAND,
JOHN B. THAYER,
MICHAEL J. DALY,

A true copy. Attest:

Selectmen of Randolph.
E. FORREST KNIGHT, *Constable of Randolph.*

FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, SUPERINTENDING
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS, AND TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND, THE
TRUSTEES OF THE TURNER FREE LIBRARY, AND OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS,

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1891-92.

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

RUFUS A. THAYER. PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN H. FIELD.

Town Clerk and Treasurer.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

School Committee.

THOMAS DOLAN	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1892.
ASA P. FRENCH	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1893.
THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1894.

Trustees of Stetson High School.

JOHN B. WREN	:	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1892.
ASA P. FRENCH	:	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1893.
THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN	:	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1894.

Water Commissioners.

J. WHITE BELCHER	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1892.
CHARLES A. WALES	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1893.
DANIEL B. WHITE	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1894.

Auditors.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY. THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

Constables.

E. FORREST KNIGHT.	LINCOLN STETSON.
FRANK J. DONAHOE.	JOHN E. CLARK.
THOMAS FARRELL.	GEORGE A. POOLE.
	M. F. SULLIVAN.

Tax Collector.

FRED M. FRENCH.

Fence Viewers.

JAMES RILEY. J. T. LEAHY. J. H. WALES.

Registrars of Voters.

JAMES FARDY.	HERBERT W. PRATT.	DAVID P. McGAUGHEY.
	HIRAM C. ALDEN.	

Inspectors of Elections.

GEORGE C. SPEAR. JOSEPH J. McMAHON.

Deputy Inspectors of Elections.

AUGUSTUS L. CHASE. EDWARD O'FLAHERTY.

Engineers of Fire Department.

CHARLES A. WALES, <i>Chief.</i>	WILLIAM A. CROAK, <i>Clerk.</i>	JOHN HANEY.
DANIEL J. BRENNAN.	CORNELIUS DESMOND.	

Superintendent of Almshouse.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

Superintendent of Streets.

MARTIN P. PIKE.

Keeper of Lockup.

COLIN BOYD.

Representatives to the General Court.

TIMOTHY F. QUINN, of Sharon. ROBERT P. CAPEN, of Stoughton.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1891.

TAXABLE VALUATION MAY 1, 1891. .

Real estate	\$1,540,700 00
Personal estate	481,980 00
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		\$2,022,680 00

Rate of taxation May 1, 1891, \$18 on \$1000.

Population, census of 1890	3,946
Number of polls May 1, 1891	. . . . .	1,130
horses May 1, 1891	. . . . .	368
cows May 1, 1891	. . . . .	198
acres of land taxed May 1, 1891	. . . . .	5,917
dwellings taxed May 1, 1891	. . . . .	826

APPROPRIATIONS

AS VOTED BY THE TOWN; ALSO COUNTY AND STATE TAX.

For schools	. . . . .	\$8,430 62
Stetson High school	. . . . .	2,200 00
highways	. . . . .	4,000 00
paving	. . . . .	500 00
removing snow	. . . . .	200 00
West-street sidewalk	. . . . .	200 00

For general town expenses	\$13,100 00
fire department	1,890 00
G.A.R., decoration soldiers' graves . . .	100 00
interest on Randolph water loan . . .	3,500 00
contribution to the sinking fund, Randolph water loan	3,575 00
Water service for hydrants, public building, &c.,	2,000 00
Turner Free Library	250 00
repairs on Stetson Hall	500 00
soldiers' bounties	300 00
repairs Matthew Clark building . . .	300 00
pay of physicians	350 00
special improvements	300 00
care of clocks	50 00
special police	500 00
state tax	2,380 00
county tax	1,507 28
Total	\$46,132 90

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1891.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire-engines and apparatus . .	10,500 00
Three fire-engine houses and lockup . .	4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus . . .	800 00
One hearse	200 00
Ten acres salt marsh	500 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1 . .	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2 . .	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3 . .	1,350 00

Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	.	.	\$5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	.	.	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	.	.	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	.	.	15,000 00
Eight shares Randolph National Bank	.	.	1,440 00
Stetson school fund, par value	.	.	10,600 00
Turner school fund, par value	.	.	1,500 00
Turner Free Library building and land	.	.	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	.	.	5,000 00
Turner fund	.	.	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	.	.	5,000 00
Water works	.	.	120,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate	.	.	2,800 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$45,983.16.

On account of schools	.	.	.	.	\$6,638 43
Stetson High school	.	.	.	.	2,200 00
poor out of almshouse	.	.	.	.	3,525 72
poor belonging to Randolph and					
Holbrook	.	.	.	.	1,116 43
soldiers' aid	.	.	.	.	113 53
poor in almshouse	.	.	.	.	2,592 52
poor of other towns	.	.	.	.	521 83
state paupers and tramps	.	.	.	.	154 33
miscellaneous town expenses	.	.	.	.	1,965 38
town officers	.	.	.	.	2,057 83
fire department	.	.	.	.	1,632 85
state aid	.	.	.	.	1,589 00
military aid	.	.	.	.	1,028 00
water hydrant service	.	.	.	.	2,000 00
contribution to sinking fund	.	.	.	.	3,575 00

On account of interest on water loan . . .	\$3,500 00
sidewalk, West street . . .	187 50
repairs of highways . . .	3,884 37
paving	465 42
removing snow	62 66
decoration soldiers' graves . . .	100 00
Stetson Hall building	500 00
abatement of taxes	370 12
funeral expenses	241 50
special police	377 50
bounty	300 00
care of clocks	50 00
Matthew Clark building	214 29
Turner Free Library	250 00
Lafayette street	272 82
Liberty and North streets	2,496 13
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	\$43,983 16

Amount raised and appropriated by taxation .	\$46,132 90
Amount raised and borrowed for Liberty and North streets	2,500 00
Amount raised and borrowed for Lafayette street	500 00
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	\$49,132 90

Unexpended, \$5,149 74.

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools	\$8,430 62	
income from other sources	819 38	\$6,638 43
Stetson High school	2,200 00	2,200 00
poor out of almshouse	3,500 00	3,525 72
poor belonging to Randolph and Holbrook, $\frac{1}{3}$ paid by Holbrook	1,500 00	1,116 43

For soldiers' aid	\$500 00	\$113 53
poor in almshouse * . . .	1,500 00	2,592 52
poor of other towns † . .		521 83
state paupers and tramps † .		154 33
miscellaneous town expenses .	2,000 00	1,965 38
town officers	2,300 00	2,057 83
fire department	1,890 00	1,632 85
state aid, paid by state † .		1,589 00
military aid, $\frac{1}{2}$ paid by state .	600 00	1,028 00
water hydrant service . .	2,000 00	2,000 00
contribution to sinking fund .	3,575 00	3,575 00
interest on water loan . .	3,500 00	3,500 00
special improvements . .	300 00	
sidewalk, West street . .	200 00	187 50
repairs of highways . .	4,000 00	3,884 37
paving	500 00	465 42
removing snow	200 00	62 66
decoration of soldiers' graves .	100 00	100 00
Stetson Hall, painting . .	300 00	300 00
Stetson Hall, heating and ven-		
tilating	200 00	200 00
pay of physicians	350 00	290 00
abatement of taxes † . .		370 12
funeral expenses † . . .		241 50
special police	500 00	377 50
bounty	300 00	300 00
care of clocks	50 00	50 00
Matthew Clark building . .	300 00	214 29
Turner Free Library . .	250 00	250 00
interest on town debt ‡ . .	1,700 00	
Lafayette street	500 00	272 82
Liberty and North streets .	2,500 00	2,496 13

* Net expense of almshouse, \$1,490.78.

† No appropriation.

‡ See Treasurer's report.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen, — I have the honor to submit the following report: —

On account of the extension of the Brockton Street Railway from Avon line to West Corners, a distance of four miles, it was found necessary for the safety of public travel to widen Main street almost its entire length. A large amount of material was needed in the work, and eleven hundred loads of stone and gravel were used between Avon line and the town hall. This work, which was absolutely necessary to do, necessitated the expenditure of the greater part of the amount of money appropriated for repairs of highways. The rest of the streets received their share of attention, and are in good condition.

The special appropriation of \$2500 for Liberty and North streets has been expended in the completion of Liberty street, and a portion of North street to the residence of Samuel W. Willard, as laid out by the County Commissioners. A sidewalk has been built on the northerly side of West street from Main street to Cross street. The larger part of the appropriation for paving has been expended in paving gutters and crossings. The town teams have been in constant use, and have rendered excellent service.

Your instructions that the expenditures should not exceed the appropriations have been strictly adhered to in all cases.

MARTIN P. PIKE,
Superintendent of Streets.

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

Paid John Wales, team, labor	\$44 25
John Wales, 1056 loads gravel	84 48
S. B. Corliss, stone	14 61
S. B. Corliss, use of derrick	2 50
James Carroll, labor	12 50
William White, labor	15 50
Lysander Morse, labor	18 75
J. H. and H. J. Wales, labor	50
R. B. Wendell, labor	25
Michael Crowley, labor	93 97
George F. French, labor	21 77
Charles A. Wales, 89 loads gravel	7 12
John Desmond, labor	29 56
Thomas Buckley, labor	22 06
Martin P. Pike, labor	181 21
Jedediah French, labor	73 22
Andrew Nightingale, labor	135 55
James Gaynor, labor	26 00
Cornelius Ahearn, labor	10 66
for glass for level	46
William Porter, team, labor	39 30
John Meaney, team, labor	14 50
James Keenan, team, labor	58 38
E. D. Woodward, labor	2 00
Richard Irwin, team, labor	7 00
Michael Ford, labor	6 00
Michael Ford, 44 loads gravel	2 20
Weston Mann, labor	18 73
James Billings, 78 loads gravel	5 46
John Campion, 12 loads gravel	84
A. J. Towns, labor with teams	5 20
George L. Binney, labor	4 60

Paid George N. Lincoln, labor	\$3 85
— Johnson, labor	27 81
Frank Mann, labor	1 00
R. T. Mann, team	3 50
E. Lyons, labor	8 00
John Devine, labor	4 66
P. Sloan, labor	5 89
Rachel Knight, 166 loads gravel . .	13 28
H. E. Cottle, care of lamp	11 25
William Mahady, team, labor	38 03
James Blythe, labor	12 66
John B. Thayer, labor	4 37
M. F. Smith, labor	1 00
George H. Sampson, supplies	1 05
M. L. Eddy, labor	22 50
John L. Burke, painting fountains . .	3 50
M. M. Alden, labor and supplies . .	63 16
T. Thayer, drain pipe	2 50
Patrick Barry, labor	23 44
S. S. Orcutt, labor	33 16
Charles H. Cole, labor and teams . .	118 57
Mrs. H. B. Alden, 208 loads gravel . .	10 40
Mrs. H. B. Alden, 5 loads stone . .	25
P. Mannix, labor	30 00
Adams F. Jones, team, labor	3 75
Rufus Jones, labor	2 00
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	93 34
E. W. Campagna, labor and material .	2 68
Patrick Welch, labor	34 38
Joseph Donovan, labor	43 16
Patrick Madigan, labor	16 00
Mrs. T. Harris, stone	3 00
Lewis Jones, labor	14 00
James Lyons, labor	30 35
Thomas Donahoe, labor	7 33

Paid car fare to Boston	\$0 60
cash for steel	4 46
M. Holbrook, labor	60 78
Ansel Mann, labor	17 50
S. B. Woodman, cement and labor	1 50
John Sheehan, labor	55 44
— Hayden, labor	2 00
labor, town teams	358 10
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	16 60
H. M. White & Co., supplies	8 76
D. W. Lewis, supplies	14 40
Waldo Bros., drain pipe	15 64
F. G. Winnett, labor	6 00
William Good, labor	1 50
W. A. Doyle, labor	1 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	8 25
George R. Weaver	77 66
James Fardy, labor and material	128 25
F. H. Langley, labor and material	62 03
Wales Bros., stakes	5 50
George Tyler & Co., repairs on scraper	8 00
Globe Gas Light Co., supplies	1 50
C. A. Allen, labor	101 00
M. Holden, labor	75 00
W. C. Barry, labor	95 50
Thomas Duff, labor	155 73
Robert McAuliffe, labor	41 13
Thomas Whalen, labor	175 11
M. Lagan, labor	44 22
William Brennan, labor	93 23
John B. McGrane, labor	133 72
M. Graham, labor and posts	156 33
Charles Eddy, labor	1 00
Mr. Murphy, labor and stone work	2 25
Mr. Burrell, labor	2 00

Paid Sumner Thayer, labor	\$17 66
James Riley, labor and team	121 45
George F. Howard, labor	6 35
C. H. Mann, labor and team	22 60
Joshua Hunt, labor and gravel	28 16
E. A. Tabor, labor and team	50 25
John Dunn, labor	24 66
S. M. Jones, labor	23 66
M. E. Scanlon, labor	5 00
Total,	<u>\$3,884 37</u>

Appropriation, \$4,000 00

Unexpended, \$115 63

WEST STREET SIDEWALK.

Paid Matthew Graham, labor	\$12 00
Thomas Duff, labor	14 00
M. Lagan, labor	6 00
T. Whalen, labor	14 00
W. C. Barry, labor	14 00
J. B. McGrane, labor	14 00
William Brennan, labor	4 00
James Gaynor, labor	8 00
James E. Neary, labor	2 00
A. Nightingale, labor	16 00
M. Holden, labor	16 00
George F. French, labor	6 00
J. Donovan, labor	6 00
C. A. Allen, labor	12 00
C. Purcell, labor	2 00
M. P. Pike, labor	20 00
J. Carroll, team, labor	3 50

Paid town teams	\$18 00
Total	<u>\$187 50</u>

Appropriation, \$200 00

Unexpended, 12 50

LAFAYETTE STREET.

Paid John Devine, 2d, labor	\$3 25
John Devine, 110 loads gravel	5 50
Daily Brothers, labor on fence	12 50
E. W. Campagna, labor and materials	6 82
James Sutton, land damage	15 00
Bridget McGrane, land damage	12 00
Rufus Jones, labor	12 00
T. Whalen, labor	6 00
A. Nightingale, labor	5 00
T. Duff, labor	2 00
M. Crowley, labor	2 00
Mrs. Kingsley, 56 loads gravel	2 80
Andrew E. Hayes, land damage	25 00
C. A. Wales, labor and material	22 48
M. M. Alden, labor and material	5 12
R. A. Thayer, posts and rails	2 00
Adam F. Jones, rails	25
F. H. Langley, labor and material	8 15
J. B. McGrane, labor on fence	2 28
J. B. McGrane, labor	5 00
John Meaney, labor	10 67
John Meaney, team	10 50
Charles McCarty, labor on wall	6 00
James Barry, land damage	20 00
Adam F. Jones, labor	7 50
E. Jones, team	10 50

Paid A. Jones, team	\$10 50
E. D. Woodward, labor	6 00
Owen Cox, labor	6 00
W. S. Smith, labor	4 00
for stone for culvert	1 00
P. Hart, 15 loads gravel	1 15
J. Carroll, 70 loads gravel	7 00
M. P. Pike, labor	6 25
Matthew Graham, labor	3 00
J. Donovan, labor	2 00
William Brennan, labor	2 00
J. Carroll, labor on fence	3 25
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	\$272 82

Appropriation, \$500 00

Unexpended, 227 18

The appropriation of \$500 for Lafayette street has been partly expended in completing the street to the schoolhouse, and paying land damages to owners who were not settled with last year.

By request we have changed the location of the street as formerly laid out from the schoolhouse to the junction of Lafayette and High streets, which, if accepted, can be built at much less cost, and we are of the opinion that it will prove much more satisfactory.

LIBERTY AND NORTH STREETS.

Paid M. P. Pike, labor	\$169 72
A. Nightingale, labor	125 27
W. C. Barry, labor	87 77
C. A. Allen, labor	29 33
N. Linnehan, labor	42 33
P. Mannix, labor	70 00

Paid M. Lagan, labor	\$38 33
Jedediah French, labor	104 10
George F. French, labor	100 44
James Gaynor, labor	6 00
P. Madigan, labor	15 00
Cornelius Ahearn, labor	2 00
Matthew Graham, labor	69 77
T. Buckley	33 44
Robert McAuliffe, team	36 17
Thomas Donahoe, labor	8 00
Lincoln Stetson, team	24 12
M. Holbrook	31 33
Lincoln Stetson, gravel for filling	65 00
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	42 84
Dexter T. Clark, labor	2 50
Samuel Howard, 301 loads gravel	9 03
Matthew Graham, 24 posts	3 60
C. Holbrook, 44 loads gravel	4 40
J. B. McGrane, labor	105 77
Thomas Duff, labor	99 77
M. Holden, labor	31 33
M. Crowley, labor	105 77
Thomas Whalen, labor	119 77
Lysander Morse, labor	69 00
J. T. Manning, labor	99 77
William F. McMahon, labor	97 55
G. M. Johnson, labor	76 75
J. Sheehan, labor	94 77
J. E. Neary, labor	8 00
A. G. Swain, team	44 54
F. H. Langley, labor and materials	90 44
John Foley, labor	34 67
town teams, labor	168 09
G. M. Johnson, team, labor	3 00
M. Sullivan, labor	12 00

Paid L. Jones, labor	\$18 77
J. Swindell, 301 loads gravel	15 05
George H. Sampson, material	22 05
M. M. Alden, labor and material	20 43
Mrs. A. Clark, 127 loads gravel	36 35
R. A. Thayer, posts	2 00
Total	<u>\$2,496 13</u>

Appropriation, \$2,500 00

REMOVING SNOW, 1891.

Paid Daniel Sullivan, labor	\$2 00
James Keenan, labor	9 35
William Mahady, labor and team	12 60
George R. Weaver, labor	6 18
town teams, labor	9 00
Thomas Whalen, labor	6 18
C. A. Allen, labor	6 75
Thomas Donahoe, labor	60
F. E. Stetson, labor and team	10 00
Total	<u>\$62 66</u>

Appropriation, \$200 00

Unexpended, 137 34

PAVING.

Paid H. Gore & Co., paving, 18 days 2 hrs.	\$136 65
Car fare	60
C. A. Wales, 15 loads sand	1 20
C. A. Wales, 4 loads stone	40
J. Sullivan, 33 loads stone	3 30

Paid S. Mann, 4 loads stone	\$0 40
John Wales, 21 loads stone	2 10
J. Swindell, 61 loads sand	3 05
T. Knee and others	5 00
N. Linnehan, labor	4 89
M. Crowley, labor	16 00
T. Whalen, labor	30 89
M. P. Pike, labor	35 84
M. Graham, labor	35 33
Thomas Duff, labor	35 33
William Brennan, labor	22 00
J. B. McGrane, labor	25 00
P. Mannix, labor	13 00
J. Donovan, labor	21 00
A. Nightingale, labor	21 44
J. Carroll, labor	8 30
R. McAuliffe, team and stone	4 50
town teams	39 20
Total	<u>\$465 42</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

Unexpended, 34 58

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid Rufus A. Thayer	\$350 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	350 00
John H. Field	350 00
	<u>\$1,050 00</u>

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

T. T. Cushman	\$125 00
Thomas Dolan	100 00
Asa P. French	100 00
	<u>\$325 00</u>

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid H. C. Alden, clerk . . .	\$75 00	
James Fardy . . .	50 00	
Herbert W. Pratt . . .	50 00	
D. P. McGaughey . . .	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$225 00

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT,

Year ending May 1, 1891.

Paid Charles A. Wales, chief, services		
and cash paid . . .	\$35 00	
William A. Croak, clerk . . .	25 00	
John Haney . . .	22 00	
Daniel J. Brennan . . .	21 50	
C. Desmond . . .	20 00	
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TOWN AUDITORS.

Services auditing town and Water Commisioners' account :

Paid C. G. Hathaway and Thomas A. Kennedy	15 00
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COLLECTING TAXES.

Paid Thomas Dolan, balance on year		
1890	\$119 33	
Fred. M. French, on account year		
1891	200 00	
	<hr/>	319 33
Total		<hr/> \$2,057 83

Appropriation, \$2,300 00

Unexpended, 242 17

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid H. H. Snow, for care of clocks	.	.	\$50 00
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Appropriation,	\$50 00
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Expenditure,	50 00
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DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G.A.R., ap-	
propriation \$100 00

Total \$100 00
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Thomas Dolan, Tax Collector, for abate-	
ment of taxes for year 1890	. . . \$370 12

Total \$370 12
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TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

Paid Trustees, appropriation \$250 00
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Total \$250 00
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STATE AID (CHAPTER 301).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State),	\$1,589 00
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Total \$1,589 00
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MILITARY AID (CHAPTER 279).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State),	\$1,028 00
one half paid by the State . . .	\$514 00
by town of Holbrook . . .	79 66
by town of Randolph . . .	434 34
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Total . . .	\$1,028 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners, appropriation contribution to the sinking fund . . .	\$3,575 00
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Total . . .	\$3,575 00

Paid Water Commissioners, appropriation for interest on Randolph Water Loan . . .	\$3,500 00
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Total . . .	\$3,500 00

Paid Water Commissioners, appropriation water for hydrants and public buildings . . .	\$2,000 00
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Total . . .	\$2,000 00

FUNERAL EXPENSES.

Paid Ralph Houghton, attending 69 funerals . . .	\$241 50
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Total . . .	\$241 50

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid Colin Boyd, salary as keeper of lockup and care of officers' room . . .	\$140 00
Colin Boyd, supplies . . .	14 33
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Total . . .	\$154 33

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN EXPENSES.

Paid D. H. Huxford, printing bill of 1890 . . .	\$59 00
Peter S. Sloan, damage bill of 1890 . . .	75 00
James E. Blanche, carriage-hire bill of 1890 . . .	43 50
Thomas Farrell, posting notices, bill of 1890 . . .	10 25
Fred A. Spear, printing Town Report of 1890-91	263 00
Fred A. Spear, printing jurors list . . .	5 50
Gaston & Whitney, counsel fees, March, 1891 . . .	25 31
Globe Gas Light Co., lantern	1 50
Colin Boyd, care of Selectmen's room, hall, lamps, &c.	158 65
A. J. Gove, express and carriage hire . . .	42 00
M. Wales Baker, postage and box rent . . .	5 85
Asa P. French, counsel fees	75 00
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	4 83
Chandler Cox, care of street lamp . . .	10 00
for stationery, &c.	4 90
J. W. McMahon, inspector of elections . . .	10 00
Edward O'Flaherty, deputy inspector of elections	10 00
A. L. Chase, deputy inspector of elections . . .	10 00
George C. Spear, inspector of elections . . .	5 00
John B. Wren, ballot clerk	5 00
Hale S. Howard, teller	18 00
Hugh J. Molloy, teller	18 00
Royal T. Mann, teller	18 00
Weston P. Alden, teller	8 00
John T. Flood, teller	8 00
J. W. Barry & Co., stationery	4 85
Seth Mann, 2d, insurance	65 25
J. White Belcher, insurance	425 75
Post 110, G.A.R., amount voted John T. Flood, for services as Moderator . . .	20 00

Paid Thomas Farrell, services on town warrants, &c.	\$21 77
R. B. Wendell, repairs on chairs . . .	4 00
E. W. Campagna, labor and stock . . .	12 52
James Carney, special police . . .	7 50
John E. Clark, special police . . .	7 50
Frank J. Donahoe, special police . . .	9 50
M. F. Sullivan, posting warrants, &c. . .	25 50
F. W. Vye, special police . . .	7 50
E. Forrest Knight, special police . . .	7 50
William R. Roberts, special police . . .	7 50
John H. Field, services as Board of Health . . .	15 00
Rufus A. Thayer, services as Board of Health . . .	15 00
P. H. McLaughlin, services as Board of Health . . .	15 00
Frank Porter, stationery . . .	50
Howard House, refreshments . . .	25 00
Andover Press, printing town warrants . . .	5 00
M. R. Warren, stationery . . .	2 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies . . .	30 00
E. O. Morris, repairs on roof of Turner Library building . . .	38 46
Ann Eliza Moulton, damages . . .	15 00
for taxes on Upham lot for 1891, Stoughton . . .	6 75
Royal T. Mann, fertilizer . . .	3 25
Edwin M. Mann, labor . . .	50
Griffith Jones, painting lockup . . .	8 00
Frank F. Smith, coal for lockup . . .	3 60
D. H. Huxford, order books and printing . . .	117 25
H. M. White & Co., oil . . .	78
N. E. Buck, dinners . . .	32 00
Fred M. French, copying . . .	4 00
D. H. Huxford, printing warrants . . .	14 50
C. G. Hathaway, insurance . . .	28 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood for selectmen's room . . .	15 00
city of Quincy, board of prisoners . . .	6 00
P. H. McLaughlin, cash paid . . .	5 35

Paid John H. Field, cash paid	\$0 85
Rufus A. Thayer, expenses and cash paid	13 90
D. B. White, coal for lockup	6 25
C. A. Wales, labor and stock	17 01
Total	<u>\$1,965 38</u>
Appropriation, \$2,000 00	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items, see report of Engineers)	\$1,632 85
Appropriation, \$1,890 00	
Unexpended, 257 15	

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items, see report School Committee)	\$6,638 43
Appropriation, \$8,430 62	
Unexpended, 1,792 19	

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid trustees, appropriation	\$2,200 00
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MATTHEW CLARK BUILDING.

Paid M. M. Alden, labor	\$212 54
C. W. Stone	1 75
	<u>\$214 29</u>
Appropriation, \$300 00	
Unexpended, 85 71	

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid E. Forrest Knight	.	.	.	.	.	\$62 50
Thomas Farrell	.	.	.	.	.	315 00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$377 50</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

Unexpended, 122 00

BOUNTY.

Paid James Halpin	.	.	.	.	.	\$100 00
Michael Lynch	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
Charles Tileston	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$300 00</u>

Appropriation, \$300 00

STETSON HALL BUILDING.

Paid Trustees, appropriation for painting	.	.				\$300 00
Trustees, appropriation for heating and ventilating	.	.	.	.	.	200 00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$500 00</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1891 :

While the gross almshouse expense the present year is less than last year, the net expense is somewhat in excess, owing to a reduction of some \$250 in the appraisal of stock, tools, furniture, &c., and the loss of labor of the superintendent on the highways, which in previous years has been credited to the almshouse account, thereby reducing the net expense of the same.

The almshouse is under the charge of Mr. George R. Weaver and wife, as superintendent and matron.

Mr. Weaver has the present year devoted his entire time to the management of the almshouse and farm, has thoroughly repaired the interior of the house, has raised large quantities of vegetables, and brought the farm up to a higher state of cultivation than it has been for a number of years. The buildings are in good repair. The boiler used for heating the almshouse is well worn, and was a second-hand one when purchased by the town a number of years ago. It has been examined by practical mechanics the past summer while making necessary repairs, who have informed us that it should not be used longer than the present season.

We would recommend that the town make an appropriation to purchase a new one the present year.

Owing to the general depression in business the past year, much additional aid has been required by the outside poor, and the calls are on the increase.

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Wales Bros., labor	\$3 75
W. A. Smith, supplies	41 76
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	152 42
H. A. Guinan, supplies	74 25
James Gogin, for pigs	13 00
James Riley, dressing pig	2 00
George R. Weaver, salary to January 1, 1892	391 69
George R. Weaver, sundries	109 33
D. B. White, coal	208 45
Beal, Higgins & Henderson, supplies	25 95
Isaac Niles, labor and stock	8 00
H. M. Briggs, supplies	48 49
Franklin Porter, supplies	33 55
N. A. Tolman, supplies	10 67
Twomey & Brennan, supplies	32 65
Simon Schraut, supplies	8 66
Ralph Houghton, burial of William Tillson and Patrick Flannigan	43 00
Gass, Doe & Co., supplies	14 80
Holmes & Blanchard, labor	11 81
Ingalls & Kendrick, labor	5 30
James Burke, repairing shoes	4 65
S. B. Woodman, labor	7 25
Samuel Howard, supplies	7 17
Joshua [†] Hunt, supplies	13 00
G. F. Simmons, supplies	3 18
C. H. Livermore, Jr., supplies	2 27
Seth Mann, 2d, pasturage, 1891	5 00
Dr. A. L. Chase, medical attendance	11 15
Dr. T. T. Cushman, medical attendance	13 60
Dr. O. M. Sheridan, medical attendance	6 60
Dr. F. C. Granger, medical attendance	8 09

Paid A. J. Towns, ice	\$25 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	26 14
C. A. Wales, supplies	28 90
Lucy P. Soule, supplies	1 75
S. A. Thayer, supplies	315 98
C. D. Hill & Co., supplies	179 80
E. W. Campagna, labor	8 11
C. A. Allen, labor	3 50
T. Whalen, labor	3 50
F. A. Belcher, supplies	86 75
Dempsey Bros., supplies	57 57
Sidney French, supplies	15 46
Robert McLennan, supplies	11 20
James Fardy, labor and materials	15 30
F. H. Langley, labor and materials	24 73
H. M. White & Co., supplies	187 93
C. H. Belcher, supplies	131 11
N. E. Buck, supplies	37 75
G. H. Eddy, supplies	110 55
Total	<u>\$2,592 52</u>

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Stock on hand March 1, 1891 . . .	\$2,999 00
Cash paid for supplies to Dec. 31, 1891, . . .	2,592 52
	<u>\$5,591 52</u>

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Stock on hand December 31, 1891 . . .	\$2,866 95
Labor of town teams	607 43
Labor of superintendent	67 18
Board of sundry persons	188 00
Town of Holbrook	371 18
Net expense	1,490 78
	<u>\$5,591 52</u>
Appropriation, \$1,500 00	

We have reduced the appraised value of the stock on hand March 1, 1891, about \$250, as shown in the appraisal December 31, 1891, on account of the advanced age of one of the horses, and the general depreciation in value of the stock, tools, and furniture.

LIST OF PERSONS SUPPORTED IN ALMSHOUSE
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1891.

	Weeks.
Lewis Linfield	43
Henry D. Holbrook *	43
William Tillson †	10
Edmund Eddy	43
Joseph A. Fritts	43
Patrick Flannigan †	40
Thomas Riley †	17
William A. Doyle	43
William Morrisey	43
Charles Stevenson †	9
George A. Cook †	5
Frank Stetson †	8
Thomas McMahon †	8
John McDonald †	3
Thomas English †	14
Michael English †	14
Nicholas English †	14
George English †	14
Fanny E. English †	14
Alice English †	14
Kitty English †	14
Bartholomew Gill	10

* Refunded \$70.

† Dead.

‡ Discharged.

Lydia A. Dyer	43
Annie L. Holbrook	43
Catherine Heaney	43
Ellen M. Buckley ‡	37
Maggie T. Morrissey	43
Theresa Long	43
Agnes Stevenson ‡	9
Phebe Stetson ‡	9
Albert Stetson ‡	10

‡ Discharged.

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, &C., DEC. 31, 1891.

3 horses	\$550 00
2 cows	100 00
1 hog, 400 lbs.	26 00
26 fowls	26 00
7 tons English hay	140 00
1 road scraper	125 00
3 horse carts	175 00
1 farm wagon	70 00
1 carriage	35 00
1 two-horse wagon	60 00
1 swing drag	35 00
1 mowing machine	30 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	10 00
2 gravel screens	15 00
2 cart harnesses	30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 pair double harness	40 00
1 two-horse sled, shaft, and pole	50 00
4 draft chains	10 00
2 grindstones	8 00

2 carriage jacks	\$4 00
4 baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
2 ploughs	15 00
1 harrow	5 00
8 hay and manure forks	5 00
6 shovels	6 00
2 iron bars and 3 picks	5 00
3 wood-saws and saw-horses	4 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Wooden ware	15 00
Sewing machine	16 00
1 ice chest	45 00
Clothes-wringer and tinware	15 00
10 hand, and 3 hanging lamps, 3 lanterns	10 00
1 clock	4 00
12 cuspadores	6 00
26 iron bedsteads	150 00
12 feather beds	75 00
25 under beds	36 00
42 sheets	21 00
15 white blankets	15 00
34 colored blankets	34 00
46 pillow cases	15 00
6 bed spreads	6 00
50 feather pillows	30 00
20 comforters	20 00
24 towels	4 00
3 table cloths	3 00
7 small and 4 dining tables	5 00
1 black walnut extension table	10 00
2 all-wool carpets	35 00
58 chairs	25 00
4 brooms	1 00
1 churn, \$3.00 ; coal shovels and hods, \$5.00	8 00

1 wheelbarrow, \$3.00 ; 2 axes, \$2.00	. . . . .	\$5 00
1 tobacco cutter	. . . . .	2 50
4 scythes and snaths	. . . . .	4 00
2 hand-saws, plane and square	. . . . .	4 00
1 bitstock, bit, iron vise, &c.	. . . . .	5 00
3 stone hammers, 32 drills	. . . . .	30 00
50 flour barrels	. . . . .	5 00
8 cords hard wood fitted for stove	. . . . .	64 00
13 tons coal	. . . . .	78 00
50 bushels of potatoes	. . . . .	40 00
Garden vegetables	. . . . .	25 00
3 barrels flour	. . . . .	18 00
50 pounds butter	. . . . .	13 00
25 pounds lard	. . . . .	3 00
1 barrel pork	. . . . .	24 00
25 pounds crackers	. . . . .	2 50
2 gallons molasses	. . . . .	1 20
2 gallons vinegar	. . . . .	50
2 bushels beans	. . . . .	4 50
Pickles and preserves	. . . . .	8 00
200 pounds sugar	. . . . .	10 00
3 pounds tea	. . . . .	1 50
Spices	. . . . .	2 00
3 pounds tobacco	. . . . .	1 00
Grain and meal	. . . . .	10 00
50 pounds ham	. . . . .	5 25
30 pounds bacon	. . . . .	3 00
20 gallons kerosene	. . . . .	2 00
1 kerosene barrel	. . . . .	1 50
1 stove	. . . . .	5 00
1 fire extinguisher	. . . . .	30 00
9 flatirons	. . . . .	4 00
1 box soap powder	. . . . .	2 00
40 pounds soap	. . . . .	2 00
8 snow plows	. . . . .	100 00

1 sleigh	\$15 00
Carriage robes, blankets, &c.	15 00
1 cooking range, hot-water tank, &c.	70 00
3 barrels apples	7 00
Total	<u>\$2,866 95</u>

RELIEF OF POOR OF RANDOLPH OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for William Farnum	\$48 00
Mrs. James Butler	45 00
Mrs. Harriett Weeks	9 00
Ruel F. Cross and family	25 75
— Mrs. John De Neil and family	128 00
Thomas Donahoe and family	56 75
John Leahy and wife	121 80
Mrs. Amasa Clark	96 00
David J. Foley and family	180 64
James Gaynor and family	32 00
James E. Neary and family	11 75
— Anna A. Thayer	151 35
— Mrs. Luke O'Riley and family	142 78
Mrs. Eliza Myers	50 00
Mrs. Fanny Niles	77 00
Thomas Murray and wife	108 11
Ephraim L. Thayer at State almshouse	12 43
John Acherson	50 50
Susan Acherson	47 25
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Margaret Ward, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Timothy Donahoe, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46

Paid for William F. Wills, at State Farm,	
Bridgewater	\$148 45
Mary Forrest, at State almshouse .	109 20
Thomas F. Kiley, at Westboro Insane	
Hospital	127 69
Mrs Maurice Colbert	55 60
Timothy Mannix	56 85
Isaac Holbrook	122 89
Alexander Holbrook	65 35
Julia Ainsley and family	146 48
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt *	76 38
Thomas English and family	218 41
Mrs. John Wheeler	54 50
Patrick Barry and wife	81 85
Mrs. Bridget Gill	41 50
Annie R. Bunberry and family	95 00
Emory Lyons	4 00
James J. Hoyer	4 00
Wilbur F. Martin	50 00
Richard McAuliffe, at Brockton	34 50
Lucinda Holbrook	52 00
Francis Blanchard	5 00
Thomas Farrell, at City Hospital, Boston	16 00
Mrs. Patrick O'Connor	9 10
Mrs. Ellen Wilkinson	6 10
Aid refunded	39 00
William Abbott	3 38
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Total	\$3,525 72

Appropriation, \$3,500 00

. * \$11.18 refunded.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Charles Abbott	\$43 00
Hiram Holbrook	21 78
James Ward	15 00
Leroy S. Hollis	5 00
Michael Lagan	28 75
Total	<u>\$113 53</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

Unexpended, 386 47

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.*

Paid for John E. Mann and family	\$109 00
Lewis N. Weathee, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Lawrence Leavitt and family	26 65
family of Michael P. Dumphy	214 99
family of James Meaney	174 07
Albert Howard and family	57 20
George F. French and wife	14 00
Thomas F. Hand and family	24 25
Lysander Morse and family	5 40
George Kiley, at House of Angel Guard- ian	90 00
Ebenezer Holbrook and family	101 10
Christiana Sloan	32 82
Richard Adams †	26 50
John Crosby †	13 50

* One third paid by Holbrook.

† \$4.00 refunded.

Paid for Albert W. Stetson	\$10 60
Timothy J. Mullin, City Hospital, Boston	44 00
Henry D. Holbrook	2 89
Total	<u>\$1,116 43</u>

Appropriation, \$1,500 00

Expenditures, 1,116 43

Unexpended, \$383 57

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Mrs. M. E. Dean, Taunton	\$67 68
Albert and John Lang, Taunton	86 00
David Cunningham, Chelsea	6 00
Mrs. Wilfred N. Pendergrass and family, Holbrook	132 00
Louisa Pool, Holbrook	123 60
Mrs. John C. Welch, Weymouth	92 70
Patrick Wilkinson, Boston	3 00
Frank E. Wilder, Boston	2 00
Mrs. John Glover, Quincy	6 85
Alva M. Nightingale, Duxbury	2 00
Total	<u>\$521 83</u>

Included in the expense of the poor in almshouse, poor out of almshouse, and poor whose settlement is in Randolph and Holbrook, are the following sums of money paid to physicians for medical aid rendered for one year : —

Dr. Frank C. Granger	\$50 00
Dr. Thaddeus T. Cushman	50 00
Dr. Charles C. Farnham	40 00
Dr. Augustus L. Chase	50 00

Dr. Warren M. Babbitt	\$50 00
Dr. Oliver M. Sheridan	50 00
Total	<u>\$290 00</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE SE-
LECTMEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

Received of H. D. Holbrook	\$70 00
for labor of town teams	607 43
for road scraping	26 27
for board	110 00
of Stone Brothers, rent Clark building	55 50
of F. A. Stanley, rent Clark building	25 00
for labor, George R. Weaver	57 00
for sale Braintree Records	3 00
of R. Adams, State aid for March	4 00
of John Crosby, State aid for March	4 00
of William Tillson	8 00
of Joshua Britton, rent Upham lot	18 00
of James Dailey, pasture Upham lot	5 00
for board refunded	39 00
for aid refunded	11 18
for sale Upham lot, Stoughton	600 00
Total	<u>\$1,643 38</u>

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By cash paid Town Treasurer	\$1,643 38
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The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of

the Selectmen and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSE FOR 1892.

For schools (see report of School Committee).

Stetson High school (see report of Trustees).

miscellaneous town expenses	\$2,000 00
repairs of highways	3,000 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	200 00
fire department (see Engineers' report).	
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse ,	3,800 00
soldiers' relief	200 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	1,000 00
town officers	2,100 00
military aid	500 00
water works (see report of Commissioners).	
interest on town debt.	

Respectfully submitted,

RUFUS A. THAYER.
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN H. FIELD.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1891.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Inhabitants of
Randolph:*

At the close of another financial year, your Committee are reminded of their indebtedness to you for their annual report.

It will be apparent to every one that the work to be done in the department of education requires a great amount of patient labor. Being of the utmost importance, it should receive the cordial and enthusiastic support of every individual in our town, more especially the parents of the children who are to be educated in our public schools. In order to obtain the very best results, the teachers should be sustained by the parent in every good and important regulation which is being introduced into our schools for the benefit of the pupils. We are well aware that the training of the young and tender mind in its first attempts in grasping little things and simple ideas in our primary department is a position of great responsibility. The teacher who occupies that place, and is day by day watching the youthful mind in its growth, should be aware of the responsible position in which she is placed, and should realize that the foundation of the pupil's education is to be laid in the primary department. Such teachers should be sustained by Committee and parents in every attempt in the right direction in the struggle to fit the pupil to advance to a higher grade in our schools. Parents do not at all times assist and encourage their children in their studies and in making the most of each and every day's work in school.

Parents do not appear to be sensible of the importance of children attending school punctually. If a child is detained at home a day, or even one half of the day, each week, he loses his place in his class. Can it be expected his class will wait for him, and thus all lose an equal amount of time? Is the instructor expected to come to his assistance by giving him an extra amount of time? The teacher's time should be divided equally among the pupils. If a pupil is an habitual truant, he loses his place in his class, his lessons become more and more wearisome, his studies become distasteful, and he drops from school altogether, and manhood finds him in the world without an education.

During the long vacation the Committee decided to consolidate the schools in the Prescott Primary and Prescott Grammar, there being seven schools in both buildings. By uniting the schools, we could dispense with one teacher. The Committee voted that the youngest teacher in service in town should be the one to be dismissed. Miss K. E. Kiley was dismissed, although she was highly recommended by the Committee. Miss S. J. McGaughey was elected to take charge of the vacated room.

DRAWING.

This branch of study is being taught by the teachers in their several rooms, as no special instructor in drawing has been employed this present school year.

MUSIC.

No teacher in this branch has been employed this year, yet music has been taught in all the schools in town, and singing is heard in every schoolroom.

PATRIOTISM.

The legislature of 1890 passed an act that hereafter in all

the public schools of the commonwealth the last session of school prior to Memorial Day should be devoted to exercises of a patriotic nature.

We are happy to inform the inhabitants of Randolph that the requirements of the law have been complied with.

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE, 1891-92.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Whole number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14.	No. under 5.	Not absent during year.
HIGH,	Hugh J. Molloy, May L. Knowlton, Isabel M. Breed,								
PRESCOTT GRAMMAR,	Thomas H. West,	56	51	48	94.1	10	38	0	
	Sarah J. McGaughey	51	49	46	93	1		0	3
	Kate E. Sheridan,	43	41	39	94	0	43	0	
	Mary A. Molloy,	46	38	36	94.73	0	36	0	1
PRESCOTT PRIMARY,	Mary E. Wren,	42	37	34	91	0	15	0	
	Kittie R. Molloy,	44	40	39	97.5	0	0	7	
NORTH GRAMMAR,	Joseph Belcher,	63	53	50	94+	5	48	0	
	Ellen P. Henry,	42	35	32	91	0	42	0	
NORTH PRIMARY,	Emma D. Stetson,	36	33	30	90	0	26	0	1
	Clara A. Tolman,	43	38	32	84	0	2	0	0
UNGRADED,	Sara C. Belcher,	36	26	25	89+			1	1
	Rose M. Brady,	28	24	19	79		14	0	
	Hannah F. Hoyer,	44	41	35	85		25	0	3
	Lucie W. Lewis,	38	35	30	86	0	20	0	0

ROLL OF HONOR.

NAMES OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING ONE YEAR.

Henry W. Belcher.	Jennie Good.
Wade C. Belcher.	Kittie Good.
Carrie Devine.	Teresa Pope.
Edward Devine.	Maggie Uniack.
Fanny Devine.	Frank Martin.

NAMES OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING TWO TERMS.

Ethel Ainslie.	Bennie Hayden.
Loring Binney.	Harold Howard.
May Campagna.	Alice Kiley.
Joseph O'Connor.	Herbert Langley.
Bertha Devine.	Augusta Mahady.
Alice Donahoe.	Grace Malley.
Maggie Donavan.	Nicholas Moore.
Henry Dumphy.	Lilla Pratt.
John Dunn.	James Reilly.
Bessie Fardy.	Willie Scannell.
Edward Fischer.	Bessie Sutton.
Frank N. French.	Mabel V. Taber.
Herman W. French.	Edward S. Thayer.
Nellie McGerigle.	Lena R. Thayer.
Hubert Guinan.	Richard Uniack.
John Haney.	Thomas Uniack.
Emma Thatcher.	George Thatcher.
Webster Palmer.	Willis Clark.
Joseph Clark.	M. Lizzie Jones.
Frank W. Brown.	Chester S. Wentworth.

NAMES OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING ONE TERM.

Herbert Allen.	Frank Curran.
John Barrett.	Alice Dennehey.
Maggie Barrett.	Leo Dennehey.
James Barry.	Joseph Devine.
Arthur Beal.	Frank Dolan.
Louis Boyle.	Mary Dolan.
Thomas F. Boyle.	Alice Dunn.
William Boyle.	Lulu Dyer.
Lillie Bracken.	Willie Dyer.
Alice Brady.	George Easton.
Edmund Brady.	Thomas Fardy.
Michael Brady.	Bernard Flaherty.
Bessie Burke.	James Foley.
Arthur F. Capen.	N. Fannie Foley.
Eugene McCarthy.	Thomas Foley.
Henry McCarthy.	William Foley.
Gilman Chase.	Harvey De Forrest.
Annie Chessman.	Maggie Forrest.
Frank Clark.	Nellie Forrest.
Lizzie Clark.	Leroy B. French.
Marie McCue.	Alice McGaughey.
J. Etta Mann.	Carlton A. Chessman.
John E. McGaughey.	John B. Mahoney.
Maggie T. Good.	Charles Mahoney.
Willie Good.	Willie Mahoney.
Maggie O'Halloran.	Albert Moors.
Lawrence Hayes.	Willie Morrissey.
Jamie Henry.	George McMullins.
Oscar Holbrook.	Nellie DeNeil.
Daniel Howard.	Charles A. Perry.

Harold Howard.
Frank McKay.
John Kelliher.
Timothy Kelliher.
James Kennedy.
Maurice Kiley.
Eva Kimball.
Patrick Linnehan.
Teresa Long.
William McLaughlin.
Susie Mackedon.
Alice Mahoney.
Annie Mahoney.
Edith Belcher.
Annie Schraut.
Mary Schraut.
Julia Schraut.
Ellen Johnson.
Blanche B. Day.
Edith Holbrook.
Hattie I. Stetson.
Lilla Allen.
Leroy Holbrook.
Elmer Holbrook.
Lester Holbrook.
Walter E. Scanlon.

Agnes Pope.
Isabelle Pope.
Rose F. Quinn.
Mary O'Reilly.
Kittie Rooney.
Jack Ryan.
Alfred H. Smith.
Florence Sullivan.
Murrlyn Vye.
Bertha Wentworth.
J. Chester Whalin.
Helen White.
Ralph Knight.
John Marcille.
Willie Ryan.
Bertie Ryan.
Frank Wales.
James Thatcher.
Walter Hickey.
Jerry Donovan.
Patrick Kinnier.
Wesley C. Poole.
Albert C. Wilde.
John B. Purcell.
Charles White.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE ENSU- ING YEAR.

For teaching	\$6,500 00
fuel	560 00
care of rooms	450 00
miscellaneous and incidentals	325 00
permanent repairs	500 00
books and supplies	800 00
Total	<u>\$9,135 00</u>

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS.

FOR TEACHING.

Paid Thomas H. West	\$736 82
Joseph Belcher	736 82
Kate A. Kiley	145 50
Ellen P. Henry	313 04
Sara Jane McGaughey	291 20
Emma D. Stetson	280 00
Kate E. Sheridan	294 00
Mary A. Molloy	280 00
Mary E. Wren	280 00
Kitty R. Molloy	266 00
Clara A. Tolman	259 50
Rose M. Brady	252 00
Lucie W. Lewis	252 00
Hannah Hoyer	252 00
Sara C. Belcher	252 00
Total	<u>\$4,890 88</u>

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION IN MUSIC AND DRAWING.

Paid Prof. M. W. Misener	\$112 50
Ellen P. Henry, inst. in drawing	50 00
Total	<u>\$162 50</u>

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS.

Paid D. B. White, 6 tons coal, Prescott, North Grammar, and Tower Hill	\$36 00
Joseph T. Leahy, wood, Prescott	12 00
Michael Sheridan, sawing and splitting wood	5 00
S. A. Thayer, 50 tons of coal, common schools	270 00
Adam Jones, wood, Tower Hill	4 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood, West corner	12 00
Benjie Stetson, preparing wood, N. street	1 50
D. B. White, coal, Stetson school and hall	39 50
Total	<u>\$380 00</u>

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid Colin Boyd, care committee room	\$6 00
Eleanor Holbrook, care, &c.	10 35
Michael Sheridan	25 00
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Michael Sheridan, care, etc.	33 50
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Eleanor Holbrook	5 00
Rose Stetson	5 00
M. Sheridan, care	25 00
Mrs. John Deneill, cleaning	13 40
M. Sheridan, cleaning	21 00
Mrs. Wm. O'Halloran, cleaning	16 00
M. V. B. Howard	15 00
M. Sheridan, care and lighting	19 15

Paid M. Sheridan, janitor	\$31 65
M. V. B. Howard	10 00
Michael Sheridan, care and incidentals	27 40
Rose Stetson, care and cleaning	10 30
M. V. B. Howard	10 33
Eleanor Holbrook, care and cleaning	10 35
Michael Sheridan, care and lighting	19 15
James Barry, care and cleaning, 1 year	25 00
M. V. B. Howard, care, &c.	30 00
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	\$390 58

MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid James Blanche, carriage hire, 1889	\$4 00
James Fardy, labor	1 50
E. A. Perry, labor	1 50
M. Sheridan, removing snow	1 00
M. E. Scanlon, manure, loam, and labor	8 25
E. W. Tyler, tuning piano, North Grammar	2 00
A. J. Gove, expressage	5 15
N. Noyes, labor on stage	10 00
George W. Pollock, bracket	50
Thomas Dolan, taking census	20 00
Flower bed, No. 1 schoolhouse	3 00
Adam F. Jones, posts	3 71
Colin Boyd, musical exhibition, &c.	7 50
Frank Stanley, building fence, Tower Hill	15 09
J. B. Rhines, lumber, Tower Hill	15 59
D. H. Huxford, programmes	4 50
Charles A. Wales, stoves and labor	60 97
John L. Burke, labor	4 50
Thomas H. West, expenses on supplies	2 00
Joseph Belcher, expenses on supplies	2 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	18 15
D. H. Huxford, supplies and advertising	27 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies	17 34

Paid John L. Burke, labor	\$9 00
George W. Pollock, curtains	1 75
John L. Burke, setting glass	1 00
Frank A. Stanley, repairing fence, North Grammar	4 93
Johanna Hayes, use of well 1 year	3 00
James Fardy, labor	75
Prescott & Co., incidentals	37
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	\$273 83

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid J. L. Hammett	\$3 00
Dennison & Co.	3 00
William H. Claflin	5 10
Boston School Supply Co.	10 00
Prang Educational Co., 2 bills	7 30
Boston School Supply Co., 2 bills	5 34
Thorp, Adams & Co.	10 00
Boston School Supply Co.	12 09
Joseph Belcher, paper	80
George F. King & Merrill, 2 bills	27 93
J. L. Hammett, merchandise	3 15
Carroll W. Clarke	5 00
H. F. Atkins, atlases	9 75
American Book Co.	15 68
Eagle Pencil Co.	6 60
J. L. Hammett, 2 bills	4 45
George F. King & Merrill	5 79
Prang Educational Co.	41 28
George S. Perry	30 56
Boston School Supply Co.	9 00
Silver Burdett & Co., merchandise	220 97
Thorp, Adams & Co., 2 bills	5 85
William H. Claflin & Co.	2 82
Ginn & Co.	28 76

Paid Carter, Rice & Co.	\$4 55
Stetson High school :	
Carl Schoenhoff	12 70
Daniel H. Huxford, printing, &c.	15 75
Thompson, Brown & Co.	10 62
Carl Schoenhoff	8 04
Effingham, Maynard & Co.	9 00
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	\$511 04

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid E. W. Campagna	\$31 62
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RECAPITULATION.

Care rooms	\$390 58
Incidentals	273 83
Music and drawing	192 09
Teaching	4,890 88
Books and supplies	511 04
Fuel	380 00
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	\$6,638 42

FUNDS APPLICABLE TO SCHOOLS.

Town appropriation	\$8,430 62
Dog tax	474 78
Coddington fund	80 00
State school fund, not received	8,985 40

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN,
THOMAS DOLAN,
ASA P. FRENCH,

School Committee.

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Selectmen and Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph :

The trustees of the Stetson School Fund beg leave to submit their annual report. The securities are certificates of bank stocks, and have been presented to your notice for a number of years, and there has been no change in the same as investments.

10 shares Hide and Leather National Bank (par)	\$1,000 00
10 shares Eliot National Bank (par) . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Webster National Bank (par) . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe and Leather National Bank (par)	1,000 00
10 shares Exchange National Bank (par) . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank (par) . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Tremont National Bank (par) . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank (par) . . .	1,000 00
13 shares Shawmut National Bank (par) . . .	1,300 00
13 shares Randolph National Bank (par) . . .	1,300 00

TURNER FUND.

City of Minneapolis (Minn.) bond \$1,000 00

The income of which is to pay for medals to the most deserving graduates.

At the close of the school year the graduating exercises were held in Stetson Hall, Friday, June 26, 1891, and diplomas were presented to the following : —

FOUR YEARS' COURSE.

Elizabeth Arnold Belcher.	Cora Augusta Day.
Fannie Howard.	Hannah Mabel Mann.

Emma Florence Nichols.	Jennie Delia Prior.
Mary Alice Thayer.	Amy Howard Wales.
Edmund Joseph Barry.	Harry Howard Lyons.

TWO YEARS' COURSE.

Katherine Ella Clark.	Mary Anna Kennedy.
Maud Tina Mann.	Nellie Teresa Reilly.
William Henry Cole.	Dwight Freeman Thayer.

The Turner medals were awarded to the valedictorian, Miss Amy Howard Wales, and the salutatorian, Miss Elizabeth A. Belcher.

At the opening of the school year, September 8, 1891, there were enrolled 73 pupils, of whom 68 now remain in the school. The teachers remain the same as last year, Mr. Hugh J. Molloy, A.M., principal, and Miss May L. Knowlton, A.B., and Miss Isabel M. Breed, A.B., as assistants, and with such able instructors the high standard of the school has been sustained. During the year the building was painted on the outside, and connection made whereby the hall could be partly heated from the furnaces used to heat the schoolrooms, and the trustees have not exceeded the appropriation for the same.

In order to maintain the school in its present condition, the trustees ask for the sum of \$2200 and the bank tax which the school has received heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. WREN,
ASA P. FRENCH,
T. T. CUSHMAN,

Trustees Stetson School Fund.

Randolph, February 1, 1892.

Dr. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT

1891.				
April	1.	To balance old account		\$4 56
	1.	To dividends		
		Eliot National Bank	\$30 00	
		Webster National Bank	20 00	
		Hide and Leather National Bank	30 00	
		Shoe and Leather National Bank	20 00	
		Exchange National Bank	30 00	
		Boylston National Bank	30 00	
		Tremont National Bank	25 00	
		Old Boston National Bank	30 00	
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00	
		Randolph National Bank	65 00	
				319 00
	28.	Town appropriation (in part)		1,100 00
July	20.	Town appropriation for painting hall		300 00
Oct.	1.	To dividends		
		Eliot National Bank	\$30 00	
		Webster National Bank	20 00	
		Hide and Leather National Bank	30 00	
		Exchange National Bank	30 00	
		Boylston National Bank	30 00	
		Tremont National Bank	25 00	
		Old Boston National Bank	30 00	
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00	
		Randolph National Bank	65 00	
				299 00
	14.	Town appropriation (balance of)		1,100 00
Dec.	31.	Rental of hall		77 00
	31.	Tax on bank stock refunded by town		180 95
	31.	Appropriation for heating and ventilating hall		200 00
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				\$3,580 51

RANDOLPH, Feb. 3, 1892.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund as represented, and find them correct.

The investments remain in the bank stock reported by the Trustees, same as last year, the par value of which is \$10,600; the certificates remaining with the Secretary.

We also find in the hands of the Secretary a \$1000 bond, the investment for the Turner fund, same as reported.

RUFUS A. THAYER.
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN H. FIELD.

WITH THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1891.	
April	11. By paying William Browne & Son, balance on piano . . . \$112 05
	15. Seth Mann, 2d, insurance . . . 22 50
	25. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 221 05
	25. May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . . . 86 84
	25. Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . . . 82 90
May	4. C. H. Belcher, bill . . . 12 84
	4. D. B. White, coal . . . 62 50
	11. E. Moulton, Jr., bill . . . 2 50
	25. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 147 31
	25. May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . . . 57 90
	25. Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . . . 55 26
	25. A. J. Gove, bill . . . 36 77
June	1. George B. Dench, bill . . . 5 00
	1. S. B. Woodman, bill . . . 10 15
	23. American Bank Note Co., bill . . . 3 75
	23. H. C. Kendall, bill . . . 4 00
	27. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 184 42
	27. May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . . . 72 34
	27. Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . . . 69 09
	29. Colin Boyd, bill . . . 31 00
July	3. N. H. Terrell, bill painting . . . 75 00
	11. N. H. Terrell, bill painting . . . 100 00
	19. N. H. Terrell, bill painting . . . 100 00
	30. F. J. Donohue, bill . . . 1 50
Sept.	9. C. A. Wales, bill . . . 16 95
	9. D. H. Huxford, bill . . . 15 75
	9. F. A. Stanley, bill . . . 5 64
	9. F. A. Stanley, bill . . . 24 20
	9. Hugh J. Molloy, bill . . . 1 70
	16. John B. Wren, bill . . . 13 80
	16. Colin Boyd, bill . . . 5 85
Oct.	2. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 147 36
	2. May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . . . 57 90
	2. Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . . . 55 26
	14. D. B. White, coal . . . 147 50
	14. A. G. Whitcomb, school furniture . . . 112 00
Nov.	3. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 73 68
	3. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 73 68
	3. May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . . . 57 90
	3. Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . . . 55 26
	3. F. F. Smith, charcoal . . . 12 00
	16. J. White Belcher, insurance . . . 10 00
	25. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 147 36
	25. May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . . . 57 90
	25. Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . . . 55 26
Dec.	14. Colin Boyd, bill . . . 25 00
	24. F. A. Stanley, bill . . . 19 76
	24. Colin Boyd, bill . . . 6 00
	24. F. A. Stanley, bill . . . 73
	31. Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . . 147 36

Amount carried forward . . . \$2,902 47

		<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$2,902 47	
Dec.	31.	By paying May L. Knowlton, acct. salary	57 90	
	31.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary .	55 26	
	31.	George W. Pollock, bill .	75	
	31.	McClintock & Woodfall, bill .	175 00	
	31.	Thomas Hall, bill . . .	8 95	
	31.	Trustees and Secretary . .	20 00	
			<hr/>	\$3,220 33
		Balance		360 18
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				\$3,580 51

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1891.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

RUFUS A. THAYER. P. H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN H. FIELD.

Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

REV. JOHN C. LABAREE, D.D., JOHN V. BEAL.

NATHANIEL HOWARD.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

JOHN B. THAYER.

GILBERT A. TOLMAN.

ASA P. FRENCH.

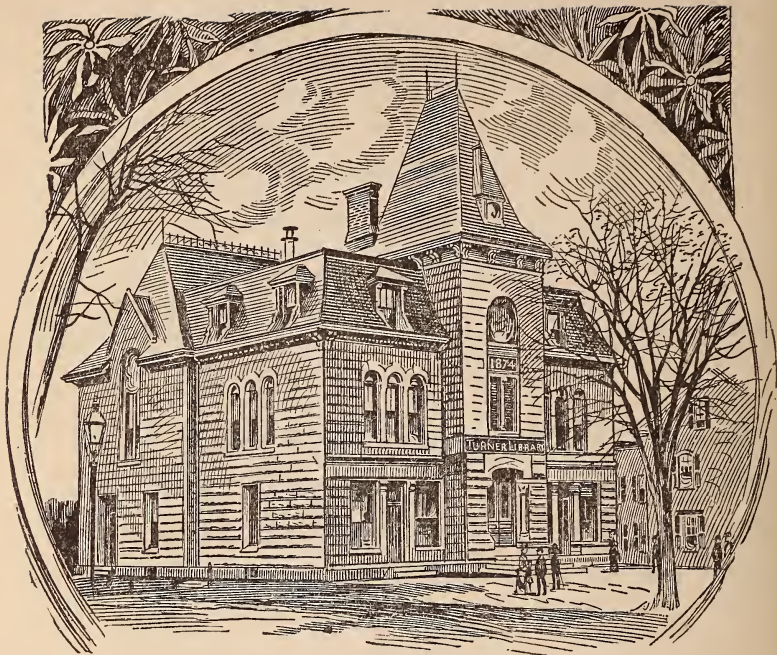
REV. CLARENCE FOWLER.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant.

MRS. FRANCES O. HOWARD.



TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the sixteenth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library, and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees, for the year ending December 31, 1891.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, Nathaniel Howard, and Rufus A. Thayer) report that the total amount expended for the year ending December 31, 1891, has been \$547.21; janitor, \$125; fuel and gasoline, \$387.50; repairs, \$18.71; water, \$16. The building is in good condition, and no extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year. The parties who have been supplied with light and heat have paid their proportionate part of the same as assessed by the committee.

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Labaree, Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, John J. Crawford, and

Asa P. French), and the books, charts, and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition. The following extracts from the annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farham, to the trustees contain interesting information and statistics pertaining to the library: —

“The record of our doings for the past twelve months will not disclose anything especially eventful. Of course the usual routine or the ordinary duties at the desk have been done. It consists largely in receiving and delivering books (chiefly fiction), and soon becomes the bane of library duties. The blessing and pleasure comes in imparting information, aiding the inquiring, and directing investigation.

“We have enjoyed large opportunities in the better field of labor during the past year. The schools, the lyceums, and in fact all the literary organizations, have appealed to us frequently and critically. Such work is both desirable and refreshing.

“The plan of issuing special cards to such of the teachers in the public schools as had already made application for them, granting to each applicant one card entitling him or her to the use of ten volumes, for school purposes only, has not only worked well, but has proved a wise and safe expedient.

“The three teachers to whom cards were granted have taken for school use, during the year, 335 volumes. They have been permitted to retain them without being subject to fine, as long as desired; the favor has never been abused, and the books have been returned uninjured. In no case has their absence caused serious inconvenience to the regular patrons of the library. The present number of books in the library is eleven thousand two hundred and eighty-five (11,285), an increase of two hundred and seventy-nine (279) over last year.

“The library has been open for the delivery of books two hundred and seventy-six days (276) days during the past

year, and the number of volumes borrowed for home use has been fifteen thousand seven hundred and nine (15,709).

"The daily average circulation has been fifty-seven (57). The largest number of books taken in any one day was two hundred and thirty-five (235), and the smallest three (3).

"The library has been in successful operation nearly sixteen years, and during this period the total circulation for home use only has been three hundred nineteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine (319,829).

"Since my last annual report, the attendance upon the reading room has been large, and those using the room have maintained decorum.

"Mrs. Frances O. Howard continues in her position at the library, and has proved herself a pleasant, faithful, and pains-taking assistant.

"The volumes added during the past twelve months have been sufficient in number, and of excellent quality. I think they have met satisfactorily the needs of the public, and have given additional character to the library."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt, P. H. McLaughlin, and John H. Field) report that they have examined the accounts of the treasurer, in compliance with article 10 of the by-laws, and find that the bills and orders for expenditures, which have been presented for payment, have been paid by the treasurer, upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor, by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$663.04 is now in the treasury. They further find that all the rents, interest, and all the revenues, from whatsoever source, have been duly collected and properly secured. The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the balance before mentioned,

consist of \$5000 invested in a promissory note of the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, and the additional sum of \$10,000, known as the "Turner Fund," invested as follows:

Three bonds of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, \$1000 each.

Two bonds of Union Pacific Railroad, collateral trust, \$1000 each.

Three bonds of Kansas Pacific Railroad, \$1000 each.

Two bonds of Burlington & Missouri River Railroad, \$1000 each.

For the current year the income is estimated as follows:—

From rents	\$600 00
Interest on town note	200 00
From Turner Fund	570 00
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Total	\$1,370 00

The receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1891, are set forth in detail in the report of the Treasurer.

I cannot close this report without alluding to the great loss our board has sustained during the past year by the sudden death of Mr. Royal W. Turner, one of the original founders of the library, and who held the position of treasurer from its organization. Always an interested and faithful worker in all matters pertaining to the library, his earnest desire was that the people of his native town might enjoy its privileges and be benefited thereby.

While we sadly miss his genial presence, he has left us a treasure of gracious and pleasant memories, and an example of honesty of purpose and fidelity to duty well worthy of imitation.

No more lasting and appropriate monument could have been erected as a memorial to him, and to those who have ne before him, than the granite block which stands upon

the site of the old homestead bearing the simple inscription, "Turner Library."

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1892.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

Jan. 1, 1891.	RECEIPTS.	
Balance on hand	.	\$183 58
Received rent from Randolph National Bank	.	200 00
rent from Randolph Savings Bank	.	100 00
rent from Charles H. Belcher	.	300 00
rent from Ladies' Library Association		15 00
interest on town note	.	200 00
from Turner Fund	.	570 00
from town appropriation	.	250 00
from Librarian, fines and catalogues	.	29 77
from town for repairs on building in 1890		605 55
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		\$2,453 90

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for books, papers, magazines, and binding,	\$649 52
librarian, salary for one year	500 00
janitor, salary for one year	125 00
for fuel and gasoline	387 50
for express on books and packages	24 23
for sundry supplies, including water	85 90
for sundry repairs	18 71
Balance on hand December 31, 1891	663 04
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	\$2,453 90

The Turner Fund remains invested the same as last year, and is distributed as follows : —

Three Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad	
bonds	\$3,000 00
Three Kansas Pacific Railroad bonds	3,000 00
Two Union Pacific Railroad bonds	2,000 00
Two Burlington & Missouri River Railroad	
bonds,	2,000 00

The remaining funds of the Turner Free Library consist of a \$5000 note of the town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per cent per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

Randolph, Mass., Jan. 1, 1892.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
RANDOLPH, Dec. 31, 1891.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submit the following as their report: —

ORGANIZATION.

On May 1, 1891, the department organized as follows: —

Board of Engineers.

C. A. Wales (*Chief*), John Haney, D. J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond (*Assistants*), W. A. Croak (*Clerk and Assistant*).

Companies.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Steamer No. 2, James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Hose Co. No. 1, James Farrell, *Foreman*; 17 men.

Hose Co. No. 2, G. W. Shedd, *Foreman*; 10 men.

Hook and Ladder No. 1, C. H. Rice, *Foreman*; 18 men.

Chemical No. 1, J. A. Sullivan, *Foreman*; 15 men.

Fires.

April 23, 1891, 7.30 A.M., alarm for a fire in the building on Main street owned by M. M. Alden, and occupied by G. E. Hollis as a cigar store and pool-room and E. G. Stetson as a barber shop; also by Hop Sing as a Chinese laundry.

Damage to building and contents, \$85.00 ; insured ; cause of fire, cigar in sawdust spittoon.

May 5, 11 P.M., on a still alarm, Chief Wales was called to the house corner of West and Cross streets owned by heirs of Thomas Kiley, where it was found that soot on fire in the chimney was setting the woodwork on fire around it. Damage, \$10.00.

May 15, 3.15 P.M., alarm for fire in the dwelling on Orchard street owned by S. H. Hoags, of Boston, and occupied by Simeon Wentworth ; L badly damaged. Damage to building and contents, \$300 ; building insured, contents not insured.

July 4, 9 A.M., alarm for fire in building on Warren street owned by heirs of John Dooley, and occupied by the Social Club, also as a barber shop ; damage to building and contents about \$200 ; insured.

July 11, 11 P.M., Chief Wales was called on a still alarm to the dwelling on Cottage street owned by Mrs. Dargin, where a slight fire was caused by fire-crackers.

July 19, 12.40 P.M., alarm for fire in an unoccupied house on Ward street owned by W. E. Jewell, of Cambridge. Damage about \$25 ; cause of fire, incendiary.

July 20, 1.15 P.M., on a still alarm, Chief Wales, with members Hose 1 and Ladder 1, extinguished a fire in basement of building on Main street owned by O. C. R.R. Co., and occupied by H. B. Libby as a carpenter shop. Damage, \$8 ; incendiary.

July 21, 5.30 P.M., alarm for fire in an unoccupied house on North street owned by Frank Smith ; wholly destroyed. Damage small, as the building was comparatively worthless and not insured ; incendiary.

Sept. 3, 10.15 A.M., alarm for fire in an unoccupied building on Cottage street owned by John Mahoney, of Boston, and formerly used as bowling saloon. Damage to building and contents, \$300 ; cause unknown.

Sept. 9, 3.30 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on North street owned by heirs of Thomas Lynch, and occupied by Thomas Patten. Damage to building and contents, \$125; insured; cause of fire, accidental.

Oct. 8, 5 A.M., alarm for fire in buildings on Main street owned by E. A. Allen and P. H. McLaughlin, and occupied by W. G. Brown, drug store, J. V. Beal, law office (Allen building,) and McLaughlin, dry goods. Damage to buildings and contents, \$4000; insured; cause of fire unknown.

Nov. 3, 1.20 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Main street, owned and occupied by A. L. Chase and Mrs. Ephraim Mann. Damage to building and contents, \$40; cause of fire, burning soot in chimney.

Nov. 12, 5.50 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on South Main street, owned by heirs of Curtis, and occupied by C. E. Young. Damage to building and contents, \$25; insured; cause, defective chimney.

EXPENSES.

Paid 62 men, services May, 1890, to May, 1891,	
\$12 each	\$744 00
62 men, 297½ hours at 25 and 50 cts. per hour	148 75
engineer of steamer	40 00
fireman of steamer	30 00
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus of house 1, to	
May, 1891	300 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	7 55
J. E. Blanche, hauling chemical 1, April,	
1890, to July, 1891	35 00
James Riley, hauling hose 2, to May, 1891	18 00
F. J. Donahue, steward, &c., March, 1891,	
to Dec. 31, 1891	78 75
W. M. Howard, steward, &c., May, 1890,	
to May, 1891	82 20

Paid W. F. Sullivan, steward, &c., Feb. 4, 1891,	
to Nov. 4, 1891	\$29 25
James Farrell, janitor, hose 1, to May, 1891	6 00
R. McLennan, supplies	3 00
E. L. Payne, care of steamer 2	19 25
Seth A. Thayer, coal	6 25
Colin Boyd, care of room for engineers .	7 00
Mary Sullivan, rent of land	10 00
S. B. Woodman, repairs, house chemical 1	6 45
E. Hodge & Co., Boston, repairs, steamer 1	5 15
A. S. Jackson, repairs, suction hose . .	3 75
J. White Belcher, insurance on apparatus .	52 50
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	\$1,632 85
Amount of appropriation, \$1,890 00	
Expense,	1,632 85
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Balance,	\$257 15

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department is in good condition, and consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four-wheel hose reel, one two-wheel hose reel, one chemical engine, one ladder truck, three portable chemical extinguishers, 2700 feet of hose, extra ladders in houses of steamer 2 and chemical 1.

We have yet in our care the two steamers, having had no applications for the purchase of either of them since last report. If the town still desires to sell one of them, we would suggest that an extra effort be made by advertising, or by the employment of an expert for that purpose, for the expense account is being added to each year in the care of them, with no special benefit therefrom.

The apparatus is still drawn by horses, which is an advantage over the old system, as the men go direct to the fire without going after their particular machine, and are required to work where most needed.

HOUSES.

At present writing the houses are in pretty good condition. In our last report we called attention to the need of repairs to the floor of the house of the central station, and asked for a little more money with the idea of making repairs named. We did not get the money, but we have been obliged to make the repairs, as the floor gave way, causing the doors to get out of place. The bill for the same is still unpaid. The accommodations at this house are still limited, and we have but to refer you to the previous reports on this subject, or to ask the citizens of the town to visit the house and see the crowded condition of affairs, and especially after the apparatus has returned from a fire, to see the inconvenience of cleaning and drying hose. We believe that after such a visit all will be convinced of the correctness of our description of the case.

FIRE ALARM.

The matter of fire alarm is a subject that has been discussed by the Board of Engineers in their past reports to your honorable board, and through you to the citizens of the town, that were it not the fact that we firmly believe that it would be for the interest of the town to adopt a system of alarm with a view to save expense in running the department, we would drop the subject until some of our citizens took more interest in the subject.

This, like all new projects brought forward, hangs many times upon the matter of first cost, those most interested looking no further into the subject. During the past ten months which this report covers there have been twelve fires reported. The whole department responded to a large majority of them, whereas with the ladder company and one hose company, or the chemical company (which, by the way, ought to be located in the central station), there would have

been plenty of help for any fire during the past year, and it would be force enough as a rule at any time, except, of course, in the case of a very large fire; and in such a case the alarm could be used to call more help at short notice. Then again, a system of alarm would be a means of locating a fire, so that an engineer or any member of the department could go direct to the fire. There are now poles on our main street already that can be used to string wires on.

FIRE LOSSES.

The fire losses of the past ten months have been very near \$5000, the insurance upon the same that has been paid amounts to \$4275. This we believe is a pretty good showing when we consider the number of calls upon the department. With the splendid water service now in existence, we believe the day of large conflagrations is past, and ought to be felt in the matter of insurance by all concerned.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1892.

We would recommend the same pay as last year for the department, namely, \$12 per year per man, and 50 cents per hour for actual fire work, and 25 cents per hour for guarding or watch duty, steward work, &c. Engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman of steamer, \$30; general expenses \$1200.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief.*

DANIEL J. BRENNAN,

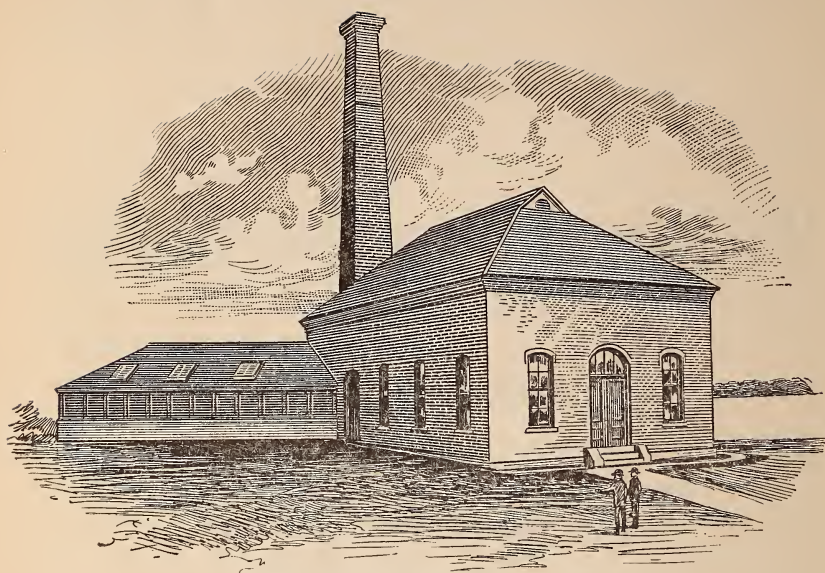
JOHN HANEY,

CORNELIUS DESMOND,

Assistants.

W. A. CROAK, *Clerk.*

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1891.



RANDOLPH PUMPING STATION.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Water Commissioners of the town of Randolph herewith submit their sixth annual report, together with the reports of the treasurer and superintendent, reference to which will afford detailed information regarding the affairs of the several branches of the water department.

Since the establishment of the water works and the demand for a uniform daily supply, it has been apparent to the Commissioners that it was unwise as well as unsafe to rely wholly upon a single pumping engine, as in case of breakage or needed repairs the town would be without a supply of water for fire, domestic, and other purposes, which might occasion serious inconvenience; in consequence thereof, in the early part of the present year a contract was made with the George F. Blake Manufacturing Company, of Boston, for a new compound duplex pumping engine, which contract has been completed, and so far as the engine has been tested, it has proved satisfactory. It has a capacity for pumping two and one half million gallons of water each day of twenty-four hours.

The cost, including foundation for the same, will not be far from \$5600, which has not yet been paid, each town being liable to pay one half said amount when accepted by the joint board of water commissioners.

It is now three years since the people of Randolph and Holbrook have been supplied with water from Great Pond.

In many places during the past year, where water works have been established at great cost, the most economical use of water was required, and in some places prohibited for

many uses, the source of supply being affected in consequence of its being more than an average dry year, and the amount of rainfall less than usual.

The Commissioners believe no town or city in this commonwealth has a better quality of water, a more reliable source of supply, or a better system of water works than the towns of Randolph and Holbrook.

The building, engines, and boilers at the Great Pond, the stand-pipes and hydrants, and everything connected with the whole plant, are in good condition.

It is expected that, after the final settlement of the suits now pending against the town, the income arising from the water rates will largely tend to decrease the amounts now raised by taxation.

The action brought by John T. Langford in the Middlesex County Superior Court, against the towns of Randolph and Holbrook, to recover the sum of \$24,325.89, the same being a balance claimed to be due him for trenching and laying the main pipes in 1886 and 1887, was referred by said court to Judge Edmund H. Bennett, of Boston, as auditor. After a lengthy hearing, the decision of said auditor was in favor of said towns of Randolph and Holbrook. The court has not yet passed upon the findings of said auditor, and no further action up to the present time has been taken towards a settlement by said plaintiff.

The several petitions brought by the mill owners on Monatiquot River in Braintree, against the towns of Braintree, Randolph, and Holbrook, for damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of the taking by said towns of the waters of Great Pond under authority given in Chapter 217 of the Acts of the Legislature for the year 1885, are still pending on questions of law for the Supreme Court. Hon. William Gaston and Asa P. French, Esq., were retained as counsel for the towns of Randolph and Holbrook; Hon. Edward Avery and Albert E. Avery, Esq., were retained by the town

of Braintree ; Hon. Everett C. Bumpus and Reginald Foster, Esq., appeared as counsel for the several mill owners. At the civil session of the Superior Court held at Dedham on the first Monday in May, 1890, Judge James M. Barker presiding, these cases were referred to three auditors, in spite of the strenuous objection of the several towns, who claimed a right to a trial by jury in the first instance. The hearings were held in Boston during the summer of 1890, and occupied nearly two months. The awards of the auditors are given below. The Water Commissioners and counsel for the several towns considered these awards to be largely in excess of the damages sustained, as shown by the most competent and reliable testimony which they could procure. A subsequent hearing was had before Judge Staples upon a motion to set aside the finding of the auditors and to grant a new trial.

At a special adjournment of the October session of the Superior Court, held at Dedham on the first Monday of December, 1891, Chief Justice Mason presiding, the several cases were tried before a jury, and occupied nearly two weeks. Governor Gaston being ill, Hon. Robert M. Morse and Asa P. French, Esq., appeared for Randolph and Holbrook. The town of Braintree, for some reason, was not represented by counsel. Judge Bumpus opened the cases for the petitioners, and, without offering other evidence, rested upon the reports of the auditors alone. The opening for the respondents was made by Asa P. French, Esq. Expert and other evidence was introduced tending to show that the damage to the mill owners was in fact very much less than the awards as found by the auditors. Although the verdicts of the jury were about \$8000 less in the aggregate than the auditors' awards, the amount is thought by the towns of Randolph and Holbrook to be still largely in excess of the damages actually sustained.

The following table shows the amounts, including interest, found against the towns of Randolph, Holbrook, and Brain-

tree in favor of several mill owners on the Monatiquot River by the auditors and jury respectively : —

	Auditors.	Jury.
Proprietors of mills . . .	\$2,463 33	\$2,241 00
S. Hollingsworth <i>et al.</i> . .	23,401 66	20,322 50
Hollingsworth & Whitney . .	1,231 66	1,847 50
O. Ames & Sons Corp'n . .	4,310 83	3,202 33
Stevens & Willis . . .	3,079 16	2,463 33
A. S. Morrison <i>et al.</i> . .	11,085 00	9,976 50
L. O. Morrison <i>et al.</i> . .	2,463 33	1,970 67
Jenkins Manufacturing Co. .	13,548 33	12,316 67
Betsey B. Hobart . . .	2,463 33	1,970 67
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	\$64,046 63	\$56,311 17

If the questions of law which the towns now propose to carry to the Supreme Court are determined in their favor, the cases will come back for a new trial before a jury freed from the disadvantage of the auditors' reports, in which event much more favorable verdicts are to be hoped for. If, on the other hand, the Supreme Court should decide in favor of the mill owners, the towns must then settle upon the basis of the verdicts as given above, which are now bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.

For statistical and other important information in relation to the water department, see report of Superintendent, hereto annexed.

Under section 6, Chapter 217, of the Acts of the Legislature for the year 1885, the town is required each year to raise by taxation a sum which, with the income derived from the water rates, will be sufficient to pay the current annual expenses of operating its water works and the interest as it accrues on the notes, bonds, or scrip issued under said act by said town, and to make such contributions to its sinking

fund and payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of said act.

The amount already invested for said sinking fund consists of :

Three 4½ per cent Fitchburg Railroad bonds, \$1000 each	\$3,000 00
Twelve town of Randolph 4 per cent water bonds, \$1000 each	12,000 00
Three Old Colony Railroad 4 per cent regis- tered bonds, \$1000 each	3,000 00
One Maine Central Bond of \$500	500 00
Deposited in Randolph Savings Bank	188 35
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	\$18,688 35

The Commissioners recommend an appropriation the ensuing year for the following purposes : —

For sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on water loan	4,800 00
For hydrant and other services	2,000 00
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	\$10,375 00

Four thousand dollars (\$4000) of the bonds authorized under Chapter 138 of the Acts of the year 1888 have been sold the past year.

One thousand dollars (\$1000) of said bonds remain unsold.

Receipts on account of water works for the year ending December 31, 1891 :

Town of Randolph (bonds), four sold	\$4,000 00
Town of Randolph (appropriation, hydrants, &c.)	2,000 00
Service pipe account	568 07

Water rates	\$3,172 22
Interest on water loan	3,500 00
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	\$13,240 29
Town of Randolph, appropriation for sinking fund	3,575 00
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	\$16,815 29

It was suggested at the last annual meeting that the Water Commissioners publish in their report to the town for the present year the total cost of the water works to the town of Randolph up to the present time.

As a statement of the expenditures has already been published in detail, it is thought only necessary to give the aggregates for each year, and, if desired, reference can easily be made to the reports of previous years.

Total cost of water works for the year ending	
March 1, 1888	\$97,187 70
Total cost of water works for the year ending	
March 1, 1889	18,569 84
Total cost of water works for the year ending	
March 1, 1890	16,600 25
Total cost of water works for the year ending	
March 1, 1891	11,111 34
Total cost of water works for the year ending	
January 1, 1892	4,320 11
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	\$147,789 24

The bonds authorized and issued under section 5, Chapter 217, of the Acts of 1885, are made payable as follows :—

- \$10,000 in ten years from April 1, 1887.
- \$10,000 in fifteen years from April 1, 1887.
- \$20,000 in twenty years from April 1, 1887.
- \$20,000 in twenty-five years from April 1, 1887.
- \$40,000 in thirty years from April 1, 1887.

The additional bonds authorized and issued under Chapter 138 of the Acts of 1888, are made payable as follows: —
\$20,000 in thirty years from May 1, 1888.

EXPENDITURES — MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT TO
DEC. 31, 1891.

JOINT WORKS.

Paid E. J. Chadbourne, salary as superintendent	\$1,000 00
E. J. Chadbourne, rent of stable	50 00
E. J. Chadbourne, cash paid and expenses	14 42
E. J. T. Dexter, engineer at pumping station	660 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood	11 25
Edwin A. Taber, manure and labor	25 75
D. B. White, coal	1,121 90
John W. Porter, coal	581 67
William B. Wright, transcribing auditors' reports	52 50
sundry persons, preliminary expenses in water suits	200 00
Gaston & Whitney, on account professional services	1,250 00
Asa P. French, on account of professional services	600 00
M. M. Tidd, 2 days on pump	24 00
Josiah Clark, labor with team	3 00
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies	34 32
James Fardy, sundry bills	14 51
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	11 19
Old Colony R.R. Co., freight	1 44
F. H. Langley, for labor	7 90
sundry persons, for labor	119 24
White & Crooker, supplies	90 39

Paid J. J. Green, painting and varnishing two wagons	\$22 00
Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies	22 38
Gilchrist & Taylor, supplies	14 25
Walter E. White, supplies	128 98
W. P. Phillips & Co., supplies	1 26
Waldo Bros., supplies	75
George F. Blake Manufacturing Co., supplies	80
F. J. Wetherell, labor	22 20
C. H. McCarter, labor and repairs	36 05
George T. Wilde, supplies	4 74
M. Murphy, labor	9 60
M. D. Wilbur, concreting	35 00
J. E. Nickerson, supplies	86
Coffin Valve Co., water gate, &c.	1 50
Benjamin S. Capen, use of horse	30 00
Boston Belting Co., supplies	3 55
T. W. Lane, one Concord wagon	117 66
E. R. & E. H. Tarbell, lamps	5 00
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	\$6,330 06
One half paid by each town	3,165 03
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Total	\$3,165 03

MAINTENANCE. — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Peter B. Hand, for services as Water Commissioner, including expenses and cash paid, 1 year ending April 6, 1891	\$200 00
J. White Belcher, for services as Water Commissioner, including 45 days' attendance before auditors and court, and cash paid for expenses incurred to April 1, 1891	200 00

Paid C. A. Wales, for services as Water Commissioner to April 1, 1891	\$50 00
6 months' interest on water loan, April and May	2,300 00
6 months' interest on water loan, October and November	2,300 00
Randolph National Bank, temporary loan	1,528 70
M. Wales, baker, postage stamps	2 00
E. J. Chadbourne, sundry bills	4 31
M. B. Woodsum, damage on highway	5 00
James Fardy, sundry bills	9 30
D. H. Huxford, postals, printing, and advertising	33 00
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	\$6,632 31
Treasurer, amount appropriated for sinking fund	3,575 00
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	\$10,207 31

CONSTRUCTION. — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Gilchrist & Taylor, supplies	\$148 04
Boston Lead Company	9 64
Walworth Manufacturing Company, supplies	2 59
Hersey Manufacturing Company, metres, &c.	38 50
Chadwick Lead Works, lead	14 76
pay-roll for sundry persons, April, 1891	29 00
pay-roll for sundry persons, May, 1891	55 50
pay-roll for sundry persons, June, 1891	48 30
pay-roll for sundry persons, July, 1891	42 96
pay-roll for sundry persons, Aug., 1891	20 85
pay-roll for sundry persons, Sept., 1891	67 53

Paid pay-roll for sundry persons, Oct., 1891	.	\$53 12
pay-roll for sundry persons, Nov., 1891	.	20 68
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J. WHITE BELCHER,
CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
Water Commissioners of Randolph.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, hereby report that they have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners, and found them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

Randolph, January 30, 1892.

RANDOLPH WATER WORKS *in account with* HIRAM C. ALDEN,
TREASURER.

DR.

Balance	\$786 97
Received of E. J. Chadbourne, superintendent, for water rates for nine months, from April 1, 1891, to January 1, 1892	3,172 22
For water connections	568 07
Received from town of Randolph on account of interest on bonds	3,500 00
Received from town of Randolph on account of water service	2,000 00
Received of town of Randolph, on account of sink- ing fund	3,575 00
Received of town of Randolph, net proceeds of 4 bonds sold	4,000 00
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	\$17,602 26

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Paid sundry orders	14,057 36
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Balance	\$3,544 90

RANDOLPH, January 31, 1892.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Hiram C. Alden as Treasurer of the Water Works Commissioners, and found the same correct and the balance as stated above to be on deposit in the Randolph National Bank.

C. G. HATHAWAY.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

1891.

Balance	\$23 80
Received for coupons on Fitchburg R.R. bonds	135 00
Received for Old Colony registered, interest .	120 00
Received for coupons, Randolph bonds . .	300 00
Received for coupons, Maine Central R.R. bonds	30 00
Received for Randolph Savings Bank interest .	4 55
Received of town of Randolph, amount voted for sinking fund	3,575 00
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$4,188 35
Paid for Randolph 4% coupon bonds . .	4,000 00
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Balance	\$188 35

STATEMENT OF THE SINKING FUND OF THE RANDOLPH WATER WORKS.

12 coupon bonds of the town of Randolph, 4 per cent, \$1000 each	\$12,000 00
1 registered bond of the Old Colony R.R., 4 per cent	3,000 00
3 coupon bonds of the Fitchburg R.R., $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, \$1000 each	3,000 00
1 coupon bond of the Maine Central R.R., 6 per cent	500 00
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	\$18,500 00
Cash in Randolph Savings Bank	188 35
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	\$18,688 35

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have examined the sinking fund statement of Hiram C. Alden, Treasurer, and find the same correct.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph :

Gentlemen, — The Superintendent of Randolph and Holbrook water works herewith presents his fifth annual report covering the operation of his department for the year ending December 31, 1891.

AT THE POND.

The water the past year has been excellent ; its purity is believed not to be second to any water supply in the state. The shore is frequently inspected by the water department, and it is not the intention that any foreign substance that would lead to the contamination of its waters allowed to remain when found. It is hoped that every person that visits the lake, for pleasure or otherwise, will bear in mind that its waters are being used for domestic purposes by hundreds of people and should be looked upon and treated as most sacred.

PUMPING STATION.

A new pumping engine has recently been placed in our engine room and put in operation by the well-known builders the George F. Blake Manufacturing Company, of Boston, Mass., of the following pattern : One duplex compound condensing pumping engine, the same having 12-inch high pressure steam cylinders, 24-inch low pressure steam cylinders, 11-inch pump cylinders and 18-inch stroke ; a pumping capacity of 1,500,000 United States gallons of water per twenty-four hours. The builders agreed that the pumping cylinders, plungers, valves, pistons, valve and tie rods, cross heads, steam pistons and everything required for a first-class pumping engine should be made of good materials, fine

ish and good quality of workmanship. It is believed that the builders will soon turn over to the Randolph and Holbrook water works one of their best pumping engines with all the requirements filled. Since starting up the Blake pump, the Holly pumping engine which has been in operation the past three years, without any repairs, except what could be done in a few hours when not in use, has been put in satisfactory condition by Engineer Dexter. The two steam boilers were inspected, one December 21, 1891, and No. 2 January 5, 1892.

The following is the report of engineers with tables showing amount of water pumped and coal burned, also the reports of the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company : —

To the Superintendent of Randolph and Holbrook Water Works :

Sir, — The following is my report for the ten months ending December 31, 1891 :

The boilers are in good condition, also the pumping engine — in fact, everything is working nicely. For the ten months we have pumped 87,108,036 gallons of water against an average head of 280 feet, or 120 pounds pressure. Total time pumping, 1344 hours and 20 minutes. Amount of coal used, including starting and banking fires, 555,707 pounds. Number of gallons pumped per pound of coal, 156, a gain of 10 gallons per pound of coal over last year ; representing a saving of fuel of about seven per cent : increase pumping over last year 28,382,590 gallons.

The following table shows the work for each month : —

	LENGTH OF RUN.		COAL BURNED.	GALLONS
	Hours.	Minutes.	In pounds.	PUMPED.
March,	108	15	45,863	6,894,834
April,	99	50	42,786	6,461,702
May,	141	20	58,197	9,242,526
June,	164	35	65,296	10,601,008
July,	165	10	65,562	10,574,100
August,	159	30	61,407	10,055,842
September,	152	50	63,133	10,162,978
October,	133	30	56,670	8,775,000
November,	116	30	52,067	7,810 050
December,	106	50	44,726	6,529,996
	<hr/> 1,344	<hr/> 20	<hr/> 555,707	<hr/> 87,108,036

Respectfully,

E. J. T. DEXTER,
Engineer.

The following is the report of the inspection of boilers by the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co.

H. T. BOILER No. 1.

Twenty-first day of December, 1891 :

Internally :

The tubes and shell are free from incrustation, corrosion, or deposit. The braces are in place and are sound and taut. The safety plug is sound. The openings to the steam connections and water gauges are clear.

Externally :

The shell plates are free from fractures, blisters, or corrosion. The heads and flanges are free from corrosion or fractures. Tubes, ends, and seams are free from leaks or weakness. Brickwork is in good repair. Pressure gauge tested and found correct. Safety-valve and all appliance

used in connection with the boiler are in good working condition.

H. T. BOILER No. 2.

Fifth day of January, 1892 :

Internally :

There is a thin soft incrustation on front head at water line, and a few scattering patches of a thin deposit on bottom of shell. These collections are the effect of small quantities of oil admitted with feed water, and, while apparently harmless, their presence is not desirable, as a very small increase of oil would cause a serious overheating, and consequent rupture of plates. A small amount of soda ash used regularly will prevent any trouble from the above deposits. The tubes and remainder of shell and head are entirely free from corrosion, braces are sound and taut, and all outlets are clear.

Externally :

There are no new defects of plate. The two small fractures on smallest patch seam have not increased and are tight. All seams and tube ends are tight. Appliances are in working order. Steam gauge was tested and found correct. Brickwork is in excellent condition.

C. E. ROBERTS,
Manager.

The Holly pump has been painted in a thorough manner, and, with the exception of a coat of varnish occasionally, nothing in the line of paint will be required for many years. Now that our pumping plant is complete, and no further necessity of disturbing the wood work, our engine-room floor should be immediately laid and other unfinished work completed. In its present condition it makes a fairly good workshop, that is all, and is far from being a credit to the towns of Randolph and Holbrook.

The grounds about the station have received more than the

usual care ; low and unsightly places have been filled and graded. The grounds in December were covered with dressing taken from where our horses are stabled, and other work accomplished that will add to the attraction the coming summer.

WATER MAINS.

No extensions were made to our mains the past year.

The lowering of an eight-inch main on Warren street at the railroad crossing was successfully done by men of the water department, and is now three feet below its former bed, and below the water way of the railroad culvert. The work was done at the wish of the Old Colony Railroad Company, and all expenses incurred was paid by them. Some few joint leaks appeared and were repaired under pressure. On the evening of October 1 a six-inch pipe at the brook on South Main street burst and was replaced with a new one the same night.

FIRE HYDRANTS.

The last of November every hydrant was flushed out, and care taken that each one was in perfect condition. Out of the one hundred and nineteen, seven were found with the drips closed, and these were put in working order. Up to the present time very few of our hydrants have been used for the purpose they are made for ; still it is believed that every hydrant will do its work well should they be needed. Two hydrants were moved to outside edge of sidewalk, one on South Main and one on Liberty street.

STAND-PIPES.

Both stand-pipes have been in constant use the past year, no repairs being needed. Debarring accidents, no outlay will be required the coming year.

SERVICE PIPES.

We have made 51 taps, six less than in 1890, laying 3094 feet of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch pipe (449 feet more than in 1890) and 51.3 of 4-inch. All services are in first-class condition. We are now supplying

- 511 families,
- 1 church,
- 4 schoolhouses,
- 4 halls,
- 1 bank,
- 1 depot,
- 14 stores and offices,
- 2 meat markets,
- 1 fish market,
- 1 bakery,
- 2 laundries,
- 7 boilers,
- 6 greenhouses,
- 3 public stables,
- 24 private stables,
- 1 horse-car stable,
- 2 motors,
- 3 barber shops,
- 5 drinking fountains and troughs,

INVENTORY OF TOOLS AT SHOP OWNED JOINTLY.

- 1 tapping machine,
- 1 ditch pump,
- 1 one-hundred foot steel tape,
- 1 vise,
- 1 die stock,
- 2 Stillson wrenches,
- 2 pipe cutters,

2 monkey wrenches,
 Calking irons and chisels,
 1 furnace and lead kettle,
 1 ladle,
 3 gate wrenches,
 6 lanterns,
 3 pairs rubber mitts,
 2 pairs rubber boots,
 1 stone hammer,
 2 striking hammers,
 1 small hammer,
 17 shovels,
 18 picks,
 2 bars,
 Steel drills.

AT STABLE.

1 horse,
 1 pipe wagon,
 1 express and 1 light wagon,
 1 heavy and 1 light harness,
 1 sleigh,
 Robes and blankets.

AT PUMPING STATION.

2 step ladders,
 1 20-foot ladder,
 2 sets of fire tools,
 1 set of dies and stocks,
 2 pipe cutters,
 3 monkey wrenches,
 2 Stillson wrenches,
 1 vise,
 1 plumber's furnace,
 2 soldering coppers,

1 lawn mower,
 1 lawn roller,
 2 lawn sprinklers,
 1 wheelbarrow,
 1 iron tray-barrow,
 1 grindstone,
 1 snath and scythe,
 1 grass hook,
 1 gate wrench,
 1 120-gallon oil tank.

RECEIPTS ON ACCOUNT OF WATER AND SERVICE PIPE FOR
 SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1891.

Cash from water	\$3,180 89
Cash from service pipe and junk	568 07
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							\$3,748 96
Cash to H. C. Alden, Treasurer						\$3,740 29	
Cash refunded	8 67	
						<hr/>	\$3,748 96

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. CHADBOURNE,
Superintendent.

Dr. TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT WITH

1892. January.

Paid town orders	\$43,976 86
Treasury notes	17,500 00
Interest on treasury notes	1,899 20
Interest on water bonds	4,580 00
Water Commissioners, net amount bonds issued	4,000 00
State Treasurer :	
State tax	\$1,785 00
National bank tax	3,284 58
Liquor licenses	50
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	5,070 08
Stetson High school fund, proportion of bank tax	180 95
County Treasurer, county tax	1,978 31
Expense :	
Election blanks and books, \$4.80 ; stamps and envelopes, \$10.90	\$15 70
Stationery, stamps, express, &c., \$10.75 ; repair ballot box, 75c.	11 50
Election returns, \$5 ; E. F. Knight, Norfolk district court fees, \$114.94	119 94
F. J. Donohue, Norfolk district court fees, \$9.65 ; T. Ferrell, court fees, \$52.46	62 11
T. T. Cushman, returning births, 50c. ; A. L. Chase, returning births, \$2.75	3 25
O. M. Sheridan, returning births, \$4.25 ; F. C. Granger, returning births, \$13.50	17 75
E. A. Allen, returning births, 25c. ; R. Houghton, returning deaths, \$17.25	17 50
D. H. Huxford, printing, \$1.75 ; H. C. Alden, Treasurer 9 months, \$225	226 75
Rubber stamp	90
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	475 40
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	\$79,660 80
* Balance	16,057 03
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	\$95,717 83

* Balance :

F. M. French, Tax Collector	\$11,811 00
Cash	4,246 03
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	\$16,057 03

HIRAM C. ALDEN, Treasurer.**Cr.**

1891. March.

Balance \$14,304 59

1892. January.

Received for treasury notes issued	18,400 00
bank dividends, Coddington Fund	80 00
interest on taxes of 1890	379 16
of Selectmen, sundry accounts	1,643 38
for liquor licenses	2 00
for auctioneer licenses	2 00
for pool table licenses	4 00
for water bonds issued	4,000 00
of Water Commissioners, for interest on water bonds	4,600 00
for use of lockup	20 00

of State Treasurer :

Corporation tax \$4,043 51

National bank tax 3,234 23

State paupers 40 05

State aid 1,760 00

Military aid 682 00

9,759 79

of city of Boston, pauper account	13 00
of city of Taunton, pauper account	204 20
of city of Quincy, pauper account	13 74
of city of Chelsea, pauper account	13 65
of town of Methuen, pauper account	27 00
of town of Duxbury, pauper account	25 00
of East Norfolk District Court	165 09
of H. L. Peirce, rent of Ponkapoag pond	10 00
of town of Weymouth, pauper account	65 23
tax bill, 1891	41,986 00

\$95,717 83

STATE OF THE TREASURY.

1892.	DR.	
Town notes outstanding		\$43,700 00
Water bonds		119,000 00
Interest due on bonds and notes . .		2,350 00
Unpaid bills and firemen		1,500 00
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		\$166,550 00

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Coddington Fund :		
Bank stock	\$1,600 00	
Salt marsh	200 00	
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Due from F. M. French, Tax Collector, taxes		
of 1891		11,811 00
Due for state aid		1,589 00
Due for military aid		514 00
Due from other towns		520 00
Amount of sinking fund		18,688 35
Cash		4,246 03
Balance		127,281 62
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		\$166,550 00

RANDOLPH, January 30, 1892.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1891.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1891.		
Jan. 11,	Sarah B. Holbrook	Enos and S. M. (Burrell)
10,	Catherine G. Scannell	Dennis N. and Mary A. (Fahey)
27,	Mary Brown	John J. and Annie M. (Mackedon)
11,	Mildred M. Tirrell	William G. and Hattie M. (Presby)
24,	— Libby (dead)	Frank and Ella (Edwards)
26,	Thomas C. Welch	Thomas and Lizzie (Patten)
8,	Doratheia Helen Swindell	James Q. and Eliz'th (Hodgkinson)
3,	Francis E. Pierce	Ellsworth L. and Mary (Kirk)
Feb. 11,	— Kehr	Frederick and Lelia (Beyer)
4,	Abbie M. Roddan	John T. and Nellie (Sullivan)
19,	Josephine Welch	John B. and Mary E. (Dwyer)
1,	— Elliott (dead)	George A. and Sybil (DeCosta)
20,	Irene Beatrice Stone	Charles and Mary A. (Ward)
17,	George Edward Keith	Richard F. and Susie A. (Dench)
Mar. 23,	Thomas Henry English	Thomas F. and Fanny E. (Hogan)
12,	Francis Gill (dead, illeg'te) }	John F. and Julia (Mulligan)
12,	Martha Gill (illegitimate) }	John F. and Julia (Mulligan)
21,	John Guinan	Hubert H. and Nellie F. (Curran)
11,	Harold Wales Alden	Arthur W. and Alice W. (Towns)
21,	Anna F. Burke (dead)	John L. and Elizabeth (Meighan)
16,	John C. Manning	John T. and Lizzie M. (Greene)
29,	Charles F. Pearson	Charles B. and Emily A. (Maxwell)
Apr. 12,	Edward Jerome Hurley	William W. and Catharine (Hogan)
6,	John Joseph Farrell (dead)	Gerald and Mary (Keefe)
26,	Jonathan Wales French	Asa P. and Elizabeth A. (Wales)
5,	Julia Augusta Bolin	August and Solie (Swanson)
20,	— Daniels (dead)	Aaron and Clara (Darling)
May 2,	Herman Forrest Woods	Walter C. and Cora B. (Howard)
8,	James Francis Cahill	Patrick and Mary (Hurley)
19,	Mary Forrest	Richard, Jr., and Mary E. (Kane)
2,	Matthew Tierney	Michael and Katie (Tobin)
7,	Nellie Murray (dead)	Thomas F. and Margaret (Carroll)
June 24,	John E. McLellan (dead)	James and Anna (Starr)
2,	John Alexander Henderson	Duncan and Margaret (McKinnon)
21,	Elsie Marston De Forrest	Harlon L. and Lillian (Langley)
10,	Grace Angeline McHugh	Daniel E. and Ellen (Cunningham)
30,	Catharine Shepard	William and Mary (Connors)
1,	Willie Brennan	James A. and Jennie (O'Brien)
30,	Joseph Sutton	John H. and Mary E. (McDonald)
25,	Anna McManus	Edward and Elizabeth (Donahue)
5,	Ellen McAuliffe (dead)	Richard J. and Catharine (Dunphy)
5,	Annie Eliza Mann	Moses F. and Julia A. (Delane)
20,	Howard Machson Peirce	George L. and Flora (Howard)

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1891.		
June 7,	Clara May Jones	Clarence M. and Susie M. (Burgess)
10,	Thomas Carroll	Thomas and Mary I. (McInery)
12,	Carrie E. Bradley	Seth D. and Abbie B. (Drury)
14,	— Busteed (dead)	John W. and Henrietta (Morton)
7,	— Weston (dead)	Walter A. and Ada (Hawes)
28,	Mary Dench	Joseph and Minnie (Dennehey)
July 11,	Frederick Loe Riley	Francis and Mary (Purcell)
12,	Clarence Gilbert Holbrook	Gilbert and Elvina (Hollis)
30,	John William Dean	Patrick H. and Lizzie F. (Cokeley)
19,	Nora Maria O'Neil	Bartholemew and Hannah (Mahoney)
3,	George Augustus Lyons	Emery J. and Louisa (Fredericks)
11,	Edith O. Wentworth	Albert F. and Nellie M. (Bean)
13,	Clarence Herbert Niles	Herbert B. and Linda (Brown)
28,	Catherine Hoyer	Patrick H. and Mary E. (Heney)
24,	Simon Corliss Berry	Walter H. and Minnie (Corliss)
21,	William Kiley	Patrick M. and Letitia (Ray)
9,	— Ayers (dead)	Arthur and Elizabeth (Hughes)
10,	Lucy Elizabeth Richardson	James A. and Hattie E. (Burrell)
Aug. 19,	Sarah Agnes Heney	William and Maggie (Dwyer)
28,	Catharine Uniac	Robert and Bridget F. (Moran)
17,	Frank Stickney (dead)	Charles and Mary (Meaney)
19,	George Marcelle (dead)	John C. and Winnifred (Hughes)
10,	William Carroll	Patrick and Mary (Kelly)
23,	James Leo Gallagher	Joseph C. and Hannah J. (Sullivan)
Sept. 29,	Charles Edward Hand	Edward T. and Lizzie M. (Dillon)
29,	John Henry Rudderham	John E. and Frances E. (McLean)
19,	Nora Sullivan Malley	Crohan J. and Mary E. (Donohue)
15,	Ruth Gertrude Chessman	Alphonso S. and Etta (Wilbur)
4,	Rachel Sheridan	Oliver M. and Mary E. (Sweeney)
26,	James Edward Dolan	Edward J. and Julia F. (Walsh)
1,	Elizabeth Olive Percival	C. F. and F. H. (Runnells)
Oct. 9,	Thomas Henderson Manning	Thomas and Helen (Henderson)
13,	William McDonald	John E. and Sarah J. (Shea)
22,	Mary Sullivan	John A. and Rachel (Sweeney)
13,	Gertrude May Abbott	Wm. A. and Alice May (Hayward)
16,	Grace Isabella Dee	Thomas and Elizabeth (Jennings)
26,	Annie Devine	Michael and Margaret (White)
13,	Francis H. Seaver	Henry F. and Maggie (Hattery)
Nov. 20,	Dorris Alma Bump	George W. and Eunice E. (Belcher)
7,	Hugh Kiernan Heney	Charles and Mary A. (Walsh)
30,	Norman Ellsworth Jones	Albert E. and Edith (Leach)
23,	John Henry Rooney	John P. and Mary M. (Dwyer)
25,	— De Forrest (dead)	Bela B. and Emma L. (Dyer)
20,	Joseph Clark	James W. and Mary (Bentley)
6,	Edward Morgan	Edward H. and Bridget (Shea)
27,	Bessie Louise Fisher	Julius and Elizabeth (Crout)
17,	Genieve Meaney	Patrick H. and Eliza J. (Flaherty)
1,	Howard E. Miller	Rupert and Sadie (Messenger)
26,	— Roberts	Aston S. and Clara E. (Smith)
12,	Harvey Gilbert D. W. Lyon	Charles F. and Mary L. (Belcher)
12,	Mabel Viola Robinson	Walter H. and Anna M. (Hasler)

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH DURING THE YEAR 1891.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
1891.			
Jan. 30.	Herbert F. Reynolds . .	Randolph	28
	Fannie Porter Hunt . .	Randolph	22
Feb. 3,	Michael J. Kennedy . .	Randolph	32
	Anna A. Hand	Randolph	32
5,	Joseph C. Gallagher . .	Randolph	19
	Hannah J. Sullivan . .	Holbrook	20
9,	John P. Rooney	Randolph	41
	Mary M. Dwyer	Randolph	28
Mar. 30,	William W. Lord	Easthampton	24
	Mabel M. Lawrence . .	Randolph	20
Apr. 15.	James B. McDonald . .	Randolph	34
	Henrietta A. Shay . .	Randolph	28
18,	Omer W. Langley	Randolph	20
	Sarah E. Stetson	Randolph	17
21,	Charles Stickney	Randolph	22
	Mary E. Meaney	Randolph	18
June 9,	Daniel Boesig	Randolph	48
	Emma A. Sleets	Randolph	29
17,	Henry P. Bergan	Brockton	25
	Edith L. Crooker	Avon	30
22,	John F. Gill	Randolph	39
	Julia Mulligan	Randolph	33
July 3,	George W. Bearse	Randolph	22
	Luella L. Brown	Randolph	19
22,	Herbert B. Niles	Randolph	20
	Linda M. Brown	Brockton	19
23,	Louis S. Bowerman . .	Randolph	27
	Flora E. Everett	Quincy, Ill. . . .	21

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
1891.			
Aug. 25,	Peter Dunn . . .	Brockton	24
	Anna L. Upham . . .	Avon	22
Sept. 2,	Lucien A. Cowles . . .	Randolph	21
	Anna M. Woods . . .	Lake Village, N.H. . . .	22
5,	Lester O. Goodrich . . .	Randolph	21
	Anna E. Leaf (Martin) . . .	Randolph	19
	Emory A. Delano . . .	Avon	33
	Joanna Walsh . . .	Avon	22
21,	Charles V. Clay . . .	Randolph	62
	Priscilla Carpenter . . .	Randolph	48
Oct. 3,	Willbur E. Watson . . .	Braintree	30
	Mary E. Bestick . . .	Braintree	18
18,	Marcus Q. Tirrell . . .	Randolph	29
	Annie I. Jones . . .	Randolph	25
27,	James Dowd . . .	Randolph	37
	Elizabeth Carney . . .	Randolph	36
29,	Francis E. Dooley . . .	Randolph	29
	Mary L. Flynn . . .	Randolph	33
29,	William T. Barry . . .	Randolph	38
	Jane Mackedon . . .	Randolph	32
Nov. 12,	Bela De Forrest . . .	Randolph	21
	Emma L. Dyer . . .	Randolph	19
11,	Frank D. Alden . . .	Randolph	23
	Nellie L. Thompson . . .	Randolph	31
18,	Henry M. Cutts . . .	Brookline	33
	Marion Belcher . . .	Randolph	26
Dec. 7,	William H. Daly . . .	Randolph	28
	Anna B. Lestie . . .	Randolph	20
25,	Willie L. Hollis . . .	Randolph	23
	Lizzie A. Wrightington . . .	Randolph	21
25,	John F. Dumphy . . .	Randolph	33
	Katie F. Foley . . .	Randolph	29

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1891.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1891.		Y. M. D.	
Jan. 4.	Gertrude O'Brien . . .	11 30	Meningitis
5.	Charlotte S. Clark . . .	43 7 11	Typhoid fever
17.	Ann Hamilton (Riley) . . .	66	Bronchitis
18.	George Sullivan . . .	2 19	Hydrocepholoid disease
24.	Richard Hogan . . .	47 5	Gastritis
24.	— Libby . . .		Stillborn
Feb. 2.	Bridget A. Wall (Fox) . . .	29 9 8	Phthisis
2.	Mary A. Maxfield . . .	86	Old age
11.	John F. Kiley . . .	36 1 16	Phthisis
19.	Anne F. Jones . . .	19 5	Cholera infantum
23.	David Ahearn . . .	67	Pneumonia
28.	Alpheus Hawes . . .	81 2 9	Cerebral hemorrhage
Mar. 4.	Mary L. Kelliher . . .	16 8 25	Measles; consumption
4.	Herbert O. Jones . . .	5 23	Tabes messintonica
12.	Margaret F. Riley . . .	36 10 15	Phthisis pulmonalis
12.	Jennie R. Delano (Adams) . . .	29 9 5	Phthisis pulmonalis
16.	Margaret Mitchell (Beck) . . .	52 10 11	Heart disease
20.	Levi Wilbur . . .	68	Pericarditis
22.	Mary E. Sullivan (Foley) . . .	26 2 20	Phthisis
24.	Patrick H. Flynn . . .	23 5 21	Phthisis pulmonalis
Apr. 8.	William Henry Boyle . . .	25 5	Phthisis pulmonalis
19.	Harriet T. Weeks (Brett) . . .	68	Cancer of stomach
13.	Honora Stanton (Barry) . . .	66	Bright's disease
16.	Royal W. Turner . . .	68 1 6	Heart disease
20.	— Daniels . . .		Premature birth
27.	Michael Morgan . . .	72 9 25	Heart disease
27.	Eleazer Beal . . .	82 11 22	Cerebral hemorrhage
May 4.	Sally Jones (Cole) . . .	90 6 19	Old age
8.	Ellen Murray . . .	1	At birth
8.	William Tillson, V.S. . . .	77	Old age; pyemia
Apr. 29.	Nelson E. Knight, V.S. . . .	49 6 13	Cerebral tumor
May 13.	Francis Gill, illegitimate . . .	2 1	Congestion
18.	Lona M. Clark (Holbrook) . . .	83 5 18	Old age; congst'n lungs
18.	Hannah French (Howard) . . .	79 7 11	Old age; congst'n lungs
28.	John Warren Belcher . . .	61 1	Erysipelas
June 7.	— Weston . . .		Stillborn
12.	Eunice C. Conant (Kendrick) . . .	52 27	Cancer
16.	Louisa M. Nash (Reed) . . .	53 5 6	Cancer
17.	Patrick T. McGrath . . .	60	Cystitis
27.	John E. McLellan . . .	3	Strangulated hernia, congenital
July 7.	Charles B. Linfield . . .	76 3 28	Valvular dis. of heart
8.	Francis Blanchard . . .	83 7 7	Phthisis
12.	Freddie Jones . . .	11 6 15	Consumption

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1891.		Y. M. D.	
July 12,	Elizabeth A. Ayers (Hughes)	36 4 5	Phthisis pulmonalis
13,	Lucy M. Paine (Jones)	28 8 22	Consumption
21,	George E. Burrell	11 11	Marasmus
23,	Eva May Clark	5 8 20	Inflammation bowels
24,	Thomas H. English	4 1	Tubercular peritonitis
26,	Carrie E. Bradley	1 14	Cholera infantum
26,	Edward Kiernan	69 9 14	Rheumatism
27,	John J. Farrell	3 21	Cholera infantum
Aug. 1,	Allen B. Clay	8 18	Cholera infantum
2,	Catharine Hoyer (Kehoe)	69	Dysentery
15,	Sarah H. Cushing	52 6 27	Exhaustion
21,	Anna F. Burke	5	Marasmus
28,	Ellen Kiley (Buckley)	67	Cerebral hemorrhage
Sept. 12,	Cornelius McMahon	64 2 19	Softening brain
14,	Ellen M. McAuliffe	3 9	Septicemia
16,	Martha Holmes (Van Horn)	87 9 7	Heart disease
17,	George E. Keith	6 28	Cholera infantum
18,	Susan A. Sampson (Ripley, Pratt, Wheeler)	90 9 6	Old age
20,	James Halpin	51 6	Morbis cordis
21,	Edward B. Howard	74 11 4	Old age
21,	Frank Stickney	1 6	Tubercular meningitis
27,	Frank Smith	80	Old age
28,	John Foley, V.S.	56 2	Drowned
Oct. 2,	Kate Agnes Walker, illeg'te	3 15	Exposure
10,	Timothy Mannix	75	Consumption
Nov. 10,	Elizabeth Thayer (Thayer)	73 4 5	Softening brain
19,	James H. Mahoney	37	Heart disease
22,	Charles A. Hunt	22 6 2	Typhoid fever
25,	Frank A. Bradley	2 6	Stoppage
3,	Mary E. Thayer (Wood)	46 41 19	Consumption
Dec. 5,	Patrick Flannigan	40	Phthisis
9,	Charlotte A. Powderly	33 6 9	Consumption
12,	Caleb Stevens	78 7 8	Heart disease
17,	Walter A. Howard	35 8 26	Acute mania
18,	John P. Linfield	81 8 22	General debility
19,	Olinda Holbrook (Stetson)	82 5 27	Old age
23,	Margaret Donovan (McInery)	91 7	La grippe
26,	— De Forrest	1	Premature birth
28,	William P. O'Brien	36 9 5	Cerebral hemorrhage
28,	George Marcille	4 9	Menengitis
31,	Grace Stone (Ide Peabody, Alden)	87 4 11	Heart failure

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, SUPERIN-
TENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE
DEPARTMENT, SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS,
AND TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND, THE
TRUSTEES OF THE TURNER FREE LIBRARY, AND OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS,

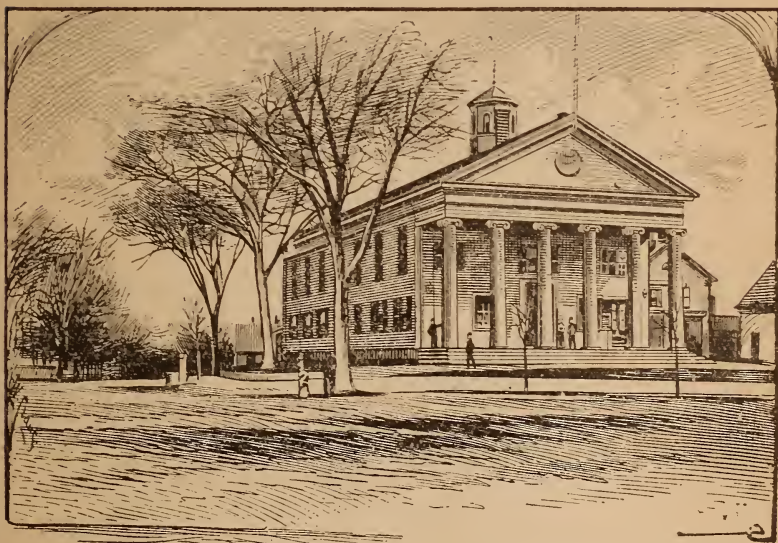
FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1892-93.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

PETER B. HAND. PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ASA P. FRENCH	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1893.
THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1894.
THOMAS DOLAN	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1895.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

ASA P. FRENCH	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1893.
THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1894.
JOHN B. WREN	:	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1895.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES A. WALES	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1893.
DANIEL B. WHITE	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1894.
PETER B. HAND	:	:	:	:	Term expires 1895.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY. THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT. FRANK J. DONAHOE. LINCOLN STETSON.
JOHN E. CLARK. THOMAS FARRELL. MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED. M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

JAMES RILEY. JOSEPH T. LEAHY. JAMES H. WALES.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY. HERBERT W. PRATT. DAVID P. MCGAUGHEY.
HIRAM C. ALDEN.

INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS.

GEORGE C. SPEAR. JOSEPH J. McMAHON.

DEPUTY INSPECTORS OF ELECTIONS.

AUGUSTUS L. CHASE. EDWARD O'FLAHERTY.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*. JOHN HANEY.
DANIEL J. BRENNAN. CORNELIUS DESMOND.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

COLIN BOYD.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT.

WILLIAM MOORE, OF WALPOLE. TIMOTHY F. QUINN, OF SHARON.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1892.

TAXABLE VALUATION MAY 1, 1892.

Real estate	\$1,550,075 00
Personal estate	467,135 00
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	\$2,017,210 00

Rate of taxation May 1, 1892, \$18.60 on \$1000.

Population, census of 1890	3,946
Number of polls, May 1, 1892	1,113
horses May 1, 1892	351
cows May 1, 1892	223
acres of land taxed May 1, 1892	5,733
dwellings taxed May 1, 1892	827

APPROPRIATIONS

AS VOTED BY THE TOWN; ALSO COUNTY AND STATE TAX.

	Reappropriations.	Appropriations.
For Schools	\$1,792 19	\$6,467 40
Stetson High School	360 00	1,840 00
highways	115 63	3,884 37
paving	34 58	465 42
removing snow	137 34	762 66
miscellaneous	34 62	1,965 38
poor in almshouse		1,800 00

For poor out of almshouse . . .		\$4,000 00
soldiers' relief	200 00	
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	755 71	244 29
military aid		500 00
interest on town debt		1,900 00
town officers	242 17	1,857 83
fire department	257 15	1,575 70
decoration of soldiers' graves		100 00
interest on water loan		4,800 00
sinking fund water loan		3,575 00
hydrants, fountains, &c.		2,000 00
Dr. D. F. Kinnear		50 00
schoolhouse, West Corners		1,500 00
pay of physicians	60 00	290 00
Pond street		150 00
special police	122 50	377 50
boiler at almshouse		400 00
celebration of the One Hun- dredth Anniversary		2,000 00
sidewalk, North Main street		100 00
Lafayette street	227 18	
care of clocks		50 00
county tax		2,331 91
state tax		1,907 50
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	\$4,339 07	\$46,894 96

Reappropriation	\$4,339 07
Appropriation	46,894 96
Borrowed for Liberty and North streets, 1,800 00	
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Total	\$53,034 03

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1892.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire-engines and apparatus	10,500 00
Three fire-engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus	800 00
One hearse	100 00
Ten acres salt marsh	300 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Eight shares Randolph National Bank	1,440 00
Stetson School fund, par value	10,600 00
Turner School fund, par value	1,500 00
Turner Free Library building and land	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Water works	145,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,800 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$52,171.68.

On account of schools	\$8,906 49
Stetson High School	2,024 90
poor out of almshouse	3,753 81

On account of poor belonging to Randolph and

Holbrook	\$1,397 75
soldiers' relief	144 15
poor in almshouse	3,124 73
poor of other towns	542 58
state paupers and tramps	166 62
miscellaneous expenses	1,920 88
fire department	1,964 25
state aid	2,137 00
military aid	752 00
water, hydrant service, &c.	2,000 00
contribution to sinking fund	3,575 00
interest on water loan	4,800 00
sidewalk, North Main street	100 00
highways, repair of	3,970 83
paving	500 42
removing snow	836 79
Pond street	150 00
town officers	2,124 52
decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
Dr. D. F. Kinnear	50 00
pay of physicians	254 28
schoolhouse, West Corners	1,546 46
special police	500 00
boiler at almshouse	275 00
celebration of 100th Anniversary	2,000 00
Lafayette street	226 78
care of clocks	50 00
Liberty and North sts.	1,799 24
attending funerals	241 50
abatement of taxes	235 70
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	\$52,171 68

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools	\$8,259 59	
income from other sources		8,906 49
Stetson High School	2,200 00	2,024 90
poor in almshouse *	1,800 00	3,124 73
poor out of almshouse	4,000 00	3,753 81
poor belonging to Randolph and Holbrook, $\frac{1}{3}$ paid by Holbrook	1,000 00	1,397 75
soldiers' relief	200 00	144 15
poor of other towns		542 58
highways	4,000 00	3,970 83
paving	500 00	500 42
removing snow	900 00	836 79
miscellaneous	2,000 00	1,920 88
state paupers and tramps †		166 62
fire department	1,832 85	1,964 25
state aid, paid by state		2,137 00
military aid, $\frac{1}{2}$ by state	500 00	752 00
sidewalk, North Main street	100 00	100 00
Pond street	150 00	150 00
Dr. D. F. Kinnear	50 00	50 00
pay of physicians	350 00	254 28
decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
special police	500 00	500 00
care of clocks	50 00	50 00
Lafayette street	227 18	226 78
boiler at almshouse	400 00	275 00
Liberty and North streets	1,800 00	1,799 24
attending funerals		241 50
abatement of taxes		235 70
water, hydrant service, &c.	2,000 00	2,000 00

* Net expense of almshouse, \$1,905.00.

† No appropriation.

For contribution to sinking fund .	\$3,575 00	\$3,575 00
interest on water loan . . .	4,800 00	4,800 00
town officers	2,100 00	2,124 52
celebration of the One Hun-		
dredth Anniversary	2,000 00	2,000 00
interest on town debt ‡ . . .	1,900 00	
county tax ‡		2,331 91
state tax ‡		1,907 50
schoolhouse, West Corners . .	1,500 00	1,546 46

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen,—I herewith submit my third annual report. The roads were all scraped and gutters cleaned out in the spring, and many of the gutters in the late autumn. Many large boulders were removed from the back roads, and the following streets were wholly or in part with their sidewalks gravelled: South, Maple, Union, Howard, Plain, North, Cottage, Ward, Moulton, Warren, West, Cross, Fowler, Mt. Pleasant square, Allen and Roel streets. The sidewalks on North and South Main street with part of its road, and a new sidewalk built from the residence of John Johnson on North Main street to the residence of Thomas B. Howard. The hill on Pond street was graded to an easy slope and the street gravelled where needed. About two hundred dollars were expended on Lafayette street in widening it from the schoolhouse to Grove street. A large bridge was built at the foot of Alden street to carry off the surface water, and the street with a sidewalk rebuilt; and as many small stones were used in its construction, it will not need many repairs for years. North street from the residence of J. K. Willard to the estate of S. A. Thayer was widened and a side-

‡ See Treasurer's report.

walk built. A derrick was purchased, and it paid for itself in the saving of labor at the ledge. So many retaining walls had to be built, and the ledge so obstinate, that the appropriation was insufficient to complete it to Braintree line. A small appropriation would complete it.

Paving was done on North and South Main and on North streets, beside numerous driveways, and some curbing set. Very many of the paving stones and nearly five hundred loads of road material was taken from the town farm. With the electric car tracks on Main street, and the roadway on either side so narrow, with the constantly increasing heavy travel and the poor material for repairs, makes it almost impossible to keep it in proper condition, and in the near future will require macadam or paving. It would be economy for the town to purchase a stone crusher, and build a certain part every year, and in a few years our streets would show a marked improvement, and the expense for repairs each year would be less than at present. The increased expenditure on the snow account was owing to the heavy drifting snows in the early year. The town teams do a very large share of the team work. There are about twenty-eight miles of roads to be repaired in the town, and I think a large amount of work has been accomplished for the money expended. With many thanks for your hearty co-operation, I am your obedient servant,

GEORGE R. WEAVER,
Superintendent of Streets.

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

Paid George L. Binney, labor	.	.	.	\$4 00
Martin F. Smith, team, labor	.	.	.	7 50
Frank H. Langley, materials and labor	.	.	.	19 48
Matthew Graham, labor	.	.	.	18 00

Paid James Carroll and team, labor	.	.	\$1 75
Mrs. Alden, gravel	.	.	20
Martin P. Pike, labor	.	.	4 25
George R. Weaver, labor	.	.	201 00
Town teams, labor	.	.	336 87
Charles A. Allen, labor	.	.	208 00
Joseph Donavan, labor	.	.	162 70
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	182 30
Syria C. Hodge, labor	.	.	2 00
William Carroll, labor	.	.	4 00
H. M. White & Co., materials	.	.	18 66
Thomas Whalin, labor	.	.	196 00
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	123 70
Michael Lagan, labor	.	.	68 74
Florence Sullivan, labor	.	.	100 00
William C. Barry, labor	.	.	194 70
William Brennan, labor	.	.	144 30
William Gill, labor	.	.	71 00
John Sheehan, labor	.	.	68 40
Peter McConaty, labor	.	.	51 90
William F. Sheppard, labor	.	.	18 00
John T. Manning, labor	.	.	102 30
James Riley and team, labor	.	.	170 73
for use of scraper	.	.	11 50
James Lyons, labor	.	.	30 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	.	.	164 90
Michael Crowley, labor	.	.	78 40
Patrick Welch, labor	.	.	44 34
John Curran, labor	.	.	28 00
George F. French, labor	.	.	152 70
Thomas F. Hand, labor	.	.	28 00
Dominick Hand, labor	.	.	26 00
John Crosby, labor	.	.	6 00
M. Gallahan, labor	.	.	5 00

Paid A. J. Towns, team, labor	\$82 50
* Robert McAuliffe and team, labor . . .	88 37
Gerald Farrell, labor	4 00
Thomas Patten, labor	16 00
Thomas Johnson, labor	4 00
James Barry, labor	5 00
Sorianna Jones, labor	6 00
Thomas Devine and team, labor . . .	9 37
William Mahady and team, labor . . .	57 00
for dynamite	40
John Desmond, labor	72 70
Cornelius Ahearn, labor	23 74
Thomas Donahoe, labor	43 30
William Devine and team, labor . . .	28 12
D. Kelleher, labor	1 87
Joshua Hunt, labor	25
George H. Sampson, foreite	\$6 50
Joseph T. Leahy, team, labor . . .	28 75
Edward Devine, team, labor	21 25
Francis E. Stetson, team, labor . . .	19 27
James Keenan, team, labor	7 50
Michael Ford, posts	90
Michael Ford, gravel	5 75
Mrs. Dinter, gravel	2 50
James Gogan, gravel	6 40
E. Alden, gravel	10 36
Charles A. Wales, gravel	11 04
Estate of Thomas F. Lynch, gravel . .	17 08
Charles Prescott, gravel	12 24
S. Alden, gravel	4 76
T. Kingsley, gravel	2 66
Lawrence White, labor	50
Thomas Johnson, posts	60
James Gogan, and team, labor . . .	8 00

Paid James Riley, gravel	.	.	.	.	\$6 40
Edwin M. Mann, posts	.	.	.	.	3 75
William Brennan, posts	.	.	.	.	1 20
George R. Weaver, gravel	.	.	.	.	50
James Fardy, materials and labor	.	.	.	.	99 72
James E. Neary, labor	.	.	.	.	6 00
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	.	.	.	.	49 83
for team labor	.	.	.	.	7 00
Charles A. Wales, drain pipe	.	.	.	.	23 50
Patrick Mannix, labor	.	.	.	.	24 00
Daniel Kiley and team, labor	.	.	.	.	23 90
James Sutton, labor	.	.	.	.	1 00
Charles H. Mann, labor	.	.	.	.	12 90
Dexter T. Clark, surveying	.	.	.	.	2 50
Manus Gallagher, labor	.	.	.	.	4 00
David W. Lewis, drain pipe	.	.	.	.	7 20
for gravel	.	.	.	.	20 23
Simon B. Corliss, stone	.	.	.	.	6 00
E. A. Allen, labor	.	.	.	.	4 00
Charles Prescott, materials	.	.	.	.	2 20
E. F. Knight, labor	.	.	.	.	1 00
Total	.	.	.	.	<u>\$3,970 83</u>
Appropriation, \$4,000 00					
Unexpended,					29 17

NORTH STREET.

Paid Town teams, labor	.	.	.	.	\$153 00
George R. Weaver, labor	.	.	.	.	132 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	.	.	.	.	76 53
Charles A. Allen, labor	.	.	.	.	92 95
Thomas Buckley, labor	.	.	.	.	93 33
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	.	.	80 55
George F. French, labor	.	.	.	.	69 55

Paid Joseph Donavan, labor	\$82 33
Thomas Duff, labor	74 33
Florence Sullivan, labor	68 55
Martin Eddy, labor	5 00
Lysander Morse, labor	55 55
John T. Manning, labor	66 33
Michael Crowley, labor	69 33
Patrick Mannix, labor	55 33
William Brenman, labor	60 55
James Swindells, labor	6 50
William C. Barry, labor	56 55
Frank E. Stetson, team, labor	41 62
For sledge hammer	1 25
Michael Lagan, labor	41 55
William Gill, labor	40 33
Lincoln Stetson, team, labor	15 75
Frank H. Langley, materials and labor	24 17
Thomas Johnson, labor	24 00
John Desmond, labor	34 50
Lewis Jones, labor	20 00
Cornelius Ahearn, labor	15 50
Robert McAuliffe and team, labor	33 87
Charles H. Cole and team, labor	36 75
James Riley and team, labor	15 00
Jedediah French, labor	14 00
Dexter T. Clark, surveying	12 50
for use of scraper	1 00
for lumber for fencing	15 00
for use of derrick	15 00
for nails	25
James Fardy, materials and labor	42 25
George H. Sampson, rending rock	6 93
Peter McConaty, labor	6 00
William Mahady and team, labor	1 75

Paid R. A. Thayer and team, labor	.	.		\$8 67
Patrick Welch, labor	.	.	.	1 00
for drain pipe	.	.	.	3 00
M. M. Alden, lumber	.	.	.	5 12
for gravel	.	.	.	5 00
Joseph T. Leahy, labor	.	.	.	15 22
Cyrus Eddy, labor	.	.	.	4 00
Total	.	.	.	<u>\$1,799 24</u>

Appropriation, \$1,800 00

LAFAYETTE STREET.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, surveying	.	.	.	\$6 00
James Carroll, fencing, labor	.	.	.	20 00
Mary Smith, land damage	.	.	.	10 00
town teams, labor	.	.	.	21 00
George R. Weaver, labor	.	.	.	19 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	.	.	.	13 00
Charles A. Allen, labor	.	.	.	9 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	.	.	.	11 00
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	.	13 00
George F. French, labor	.	.	.	7 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	.	.	.	7 00
Thomas Donahoe, labor	.	.	.	4 00
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	.	7 00
Michael Lagan, labor	.	.	.	8 00
William Carroll, posts	.	.	.	4 20
for fencing	.	.	.	7 08
for nails	.	.	.	50
Florence Sullivan, labor	.	.	.	5 00
for gravel	.	.	.	1 25
for team labor	.	.	.	3 75

Paid Joanna Desmond, land damage and removing building	\$50 00
Total	<u>\$226 78</u>
Appropriation, \$227 18	

POND STREET.

Paid town teams, labor	\$17 50
George R. Weaver, labor	14 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	9 50
Charles A. Allen, labor	9 50
William Brennan, labor	8 50
Joseph Donovan, labor	8 50
Thomas Duff, labor	8 50
Thomas Buckley, labor	8 50
John B. McGrane, labor	8 50
William C. Barry, labor	8 50
John T. Manning, labor	7 50
George F. French, labor	8 50
John Desmond, labor	8 50
Thomas Donahoe, labor	8 50
Michael Crowley, labor	8 50
James E. Neary, labor	2 00
Michael Lagan, labor	2 00
Florence Sullivan, labor	2 00
for lumber	1 00
Total	<u>\$150 00</u>

Appropriation, \$150 00

SIDEWALK, NORTH MAIN STREET.

Paid town teams, labor	\$8 75
George R. Weaver, labor	8 00

Paid Thomas Whalin, labor	\$6 00
Charles A. Allen, labor	6 00
William Brennan, labor	6 00
John B. McGrane, labor	6 00
William C. Barry, labor	6 00
John Desmond, labor	6 00
Thomas Donahoe, labor	6 00
James Neary, labor	6 00
Thomas Duff, labor	6 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	6 00
Michael Crowley, labor	6 00
Florence Sullivan, labor	6 00
Joseph Donavan, labor	6 00
George F. French, labor	1 50
James Riley and team, labor	3 75
Total	<u>\$100 00</u>

Appropriation, \$100 00

PAVING.

Paid town teams, labor	\$43 75
George R. Weaver, labor	30 00
Thomas Duff, labor	26 00
William C. Barry, labor	20 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	28 00
John B. McGrane, labor	22 00
George F. French, labor	14 00
Michael Crowley, labor	16 00
Charles A. Allen, labor	27 00
William Mahady and team, labor	24 50
John Desmond, labor	12 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	18 00
John Sheehan, labor	8 00
William Brennan, labor	18 00

Paid Florence Sullivan, labor	\$20 00
Joseph Donavan, labor	16 00
Peter McConaty, labor	4 00
for sand and stone	20 00
Robert McAuliffe and team, labor . .	17 50
for cement	25
Michael Lagan, labor	2 00
H. Gore & Co., labor	113 42
Total	<u>\$500 42</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid William Mahady and others	\$130 63
James Carroll and others	132 11
George R. Weaver and others	95 10
Sundry persons	156 64
Daniel Kiley	1 00
Augustus Forrest	2 25
Francis E. Stetson and others	70 53
Marcus Tirrell	1 00
James Riley and others	207 53
Thomas Patten	2 25
Michael Lagan	3 50
John T. Manning	1 50
Patrick Mannix	1 50
Frank H. Langley	4 25
James Fardy	27 00
Total	<u>\$836 79</u>

Appropriation, \$900 00

Unexpended, 63 21

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN EXPENSES.

Paid Colin Boyd, care of Selectmen's office, hall	
for elections, street lamps	\$175 45
Lincoln Stetson, police duty	15 50
H. M. White & Co., supplies	4 66
M. F. Sullivan, police duty and serving	
warrants	40 50
D. H. Huxford, printing, books and adver-	
tising	373 75
Selectmen, expenses to Boston and Lynn .	7 00
E. F. Knight, burial of horse	3 00
Chandler Cox, care of street lamp	16 25
Dexter T. Clark, teller at elections . . .	15 00
Weston P. Alden, teller at elections . . .	10 00
Thomas Purcell, inspector at elections . .	5 00
N. E. Buck, dinners at elections	30 00
Thomas Farrell, serving warrants, &c. . .	41 00
W. A. Croak, inspector at elections . . .	10 00
James E. Foley, teller at elections . . .	10 00
Hugh J. Molloy, teller at elections . . .	15 00
Globe Gas Light Co., globes for street	
lamps	5 00
F. J. Donahoe, police duty	22 00
John J. Crawford, teller at elections . . .	10 00
Edward O'Flaherty, deputy inspector, at	
election	10 00
Charles H. Belcher, supplies for office . .	20 61
Edwin F. Knight, court fees, 1890 and 1891	80 00
C. G. Hathaway, insurance	8 00
John T. Manning, bedding destroyed by	
order of the board of health	12 00
George C. Spear, inspector of elections . .	15 00
Edwin M. Mann, fuel for office	25 25

Paid J. White Belcher, insurance	\$220 75
Royal T. Mann, teller at elections	15 00
Little, Brown & Co., books	4 25
F. A. Spear, printing	10 87
Post 110, G. A. R., order of John T. Flood, services as moderator	20 00
F. A. Belcher, supplies	1 50
Seth Mann, 2d, insurance	34 50
Herbert F. French, teller at election	5 00
John E. Clark, police duty	10 50
Richard Meaney, police duty	10 50
Thorp & Adams Mnfgr. Co., stationery	3 39
Henry E. Cottle, care of street lamp	15 00
Burke & Hurley, painting fountains and street signs	43 50
E. W. Campagna, labor on polling booths	3 80
Thomas Groom & Co., Tax Collector's books	3 75
Peter B. Hand, copying valuation list	25 00
Mary A. Dargan, land damage	15 00
Rachel Sweeney, land damage	5 00
Charles D. Coleman, dinners at election	35 00
D. B. White, teller at election	5 00
Joseph J. McMahon, inspector of election	5 00
John B. Brenman, inspector of election	5 00
A. L. Chase, deputy inspector of election	5 00
Nelson Mann, teller at election	5 00
Joseph T. Leahy, teller at election	5 00
John H. Field, teller at election	5 00
C. A. Wales, labor on office stove	5 45
T. T. Cushman, inspector of provisions, &c. . . .	25 00
M. Wales Baker, postage	7 35
Wales Brothers, repairing pump	5 00
R. B. Wendell, tables at election	1.25

Paid Francis A. Stanley, labor and materials	\$2 32
A. J. Gove, express and carriage hire	36 05
Franklin Porter, stationery	3 70
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies for street lamp	5 69
Peter B. Hand, services, board of health	15 00
Peter B. Hand, expenses and cash paid	28 94
P. H. McLaughlin, services, board of health	15 00
P. H. McLaughlin, expenses, and cash paid	10 50
John K. Willard, services, board of health	15 00
John K. Willard, expenses, and cash paid	4 35
N. H. Tirrell, painting "Clark" building	68 00
William F. Taylor and James McQuin, re- lease of claim for damage	175 00
Total	<u>\$1,920 88</u>

Appropriation, \$2,000 00

Unexpended, 79 12

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid Peter B. Hand	\$400 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	350 00
John K. Willard	350 00
	<u>\$1,100 00</u>

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

T. T. Cushman	\$125 00
Thomas Dolan	100 00
Asa P. French	100 00
	<u>\$325 00</u>

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

James Fardy	\$50 00
David P. McGaughey	50 00

Paid Herbert W. Pratt	\$50 00	
Hiram C. Alden, clerk	75 00	
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TOWN AUDITORS.

C. G. Hathaway, Thomas A. Kennedy, and M. F. Cunningham	15 00
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ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

C. A. Wales, chief	\$37 00	
W. A. Croak, clerk	30 00	
John Haney	27 00	
Daniel J. Brennan	24 00	
C. Desmond	22 50	
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COLLECTING TAXES.

Fred M. French, balance, col- lecting taxes, 1891	\$119 02	
Fred M. French, on account, collecting taxes, 1892	200 00	
	<hr/>	319 02
Total		<hr/> \$2,124 52

Appropriation, \$2,100 00

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R., appropriation	\$100 00
Total	<hr/> \$100 00

ATTENDING FUNERALS.

Paid Ralph Houghton, attending 87 funerals	\$241 58
Total	<u>\$241 58</u>

No appropriation.

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid Fred M. French	\$20 00
Henry H. Snow	30 00
Total	<u>\$50 00</u>

Appropriation, \$50 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, tax list for 1891	\$235 70
Total	<u>\$235 70</u>

No appropriation.

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid Thomas Farrell	\$90 00
Edwin F. Knight	410 00
Total	<u>\$500 00</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

BOILER AT ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Edward Kendall & Sons	\$275 00
Total	<u>\$275 00</u>

Appropriation, \$400 00

Unexpended, 125 00

CELEBRATION OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE INCORPORATION OF
THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

Paid P. H. McLaughlin, Treasurer of the Com- mittee on Celebration	\$2,000 00
Total	<u>\$2,000 00</u>
Appropriation, \$2,000 00	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of En- gineers)	\$1,946 25
Total	<u>\$1,946 25</u>

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees, appropriation	\$1,840 00
Trustees, bank tax	184 90
Total	<u>\$2,024 90</u>

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (see report of School Com- mittee)	\$8,906 49
Total	<u>\$8,906 49</u>

NEW SCHOOLHOUSE.

Paid sundry bills (see report of School Com- mittee)	\$1,546 46
Total	<u>\$1,546 46</u>

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners, contribution to the sinking fund	\$3,575 00
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Total	\$3,575 00
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Appropriation, \$3,575 00

Paid Water Commissioners, for interest on "Randolph Water Loan"	\$4,800 00
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Total	\$4,800 00
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Appropriation, \$4,800 00

Paid Water Commissioners, for water for hy- drants and public use	\$2,000 00
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Total	\$2,000 00
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Appropriation, \$2,000 00

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

Paid Dr. D. F. Kinnear, services 1891	\$50 00
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Total	\$50 00
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Appropriation, \$50 00

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid Colin Boyd, salary as Keeper of Lockup and care of officers' room	\$105 00
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Colin Boyd, supplies	21 77
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C. H. Belcher, supplies	12 55
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D. B. White, coal	19 25
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C. A. Wales, materials and labor	8 05
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Total	\$166 62
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No appropriation.

STATE AID (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1889).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State) .	\$2,137 00
Total	<u>\$2,137 00</u>

Refunded by State.

MILITARY AID (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1889).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State) .	\$752 00
one half paid by the State .	\$376 00
by town of Holbrook . .	54 67
by town of Randolph . .	321 33
Total	<u>\$752 00</u>

Appropriation, \$500 00

Unexpended, 128 67

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1892 :

The almshouse has remained under the charge of Mr. George R. Weaver and wife, as superintendent and matron.

Everything necessary has been provided to make the inmates comfortable, and the superintendent and matron have performed their duties satisfactorily to the Overseers.

A new boiler for heating purposes has replaced the old one, and all the buildings are in good condition.

The net expenses has been increased by reduction made in appraisal of stock, tools, and furniture, as appears in the schedule.

The amount of aid rendered to the poor out of almshouse has decreased materially, especially the amount rendered on account of military services, the liberal provision made by the Federal Government in granting pensions having relieved the necessities of many who heretofore were obliged to apply for aid.

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Paid George H. Eddy, supplies	.	.	.	\$84 30
H. M. Briggs, supplies	.	.	.	67 53
Sidney French, supplies	.	.	.	7 55
C. D. Hill & Co., supplies	.	.	.	244 19
W. A. Smith, supplies	.	.	.	13 38
F. A. Belcher, supplies	.	.	.	87 89
J. W. Palmer, supplies	.	.	.	2 50

Paid Oriental Tea Co., supplies	\$21 05
H. M. White & Co., supplies	135 81
R. A. Thayer, supplies	31 80
R. B. Wendell, supplies	10 95
F. H. Langley, labor	29 46
H. B. Libby, labor	27 62
P. H. McLaughlin, supplies	1 78
Morrison M. Alden, labor	3 61
Franklin Porter, supplies	35 57
Paine's Furniture Co.	35 00
George R. Weaver, supplies	102 21
James Burke, supplies	1 87
Margaret Morrissey, labor	22 00
Andrew Nightingale, labor	49 00
George R. Weaver, salary as superintendent	500 00
George R. Weaver, salary as Superintendent of Streets	83 32
James Riley, dressing hogs	3 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	175 45
James Googan, pigs	13 00
Dorchester Express Co., manure	24 00
H. H. Guinan, supplies	\$49 90
N. A. Tolman, supplies	11 62
Robert McLennan, supplies	21 35
James Fardy, labor	101 33
Beal, Higgins & Henderson, supplies	10 22
W. G. Brown, supplies	1 95
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	208 70
H. Gray	13 00
S. Austin Thayer, supplies	130 09
Lucy P. Soule, supplies	4 00
John K. Willard, supplies	1 50
Thomas Whalin, labor	7 00
Charles A. Allen, labor	8 00

Paid George French, labor	\$7 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	7 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	12 00
Walter M. Howard, supplies	33 92
D. B. White, coal	240 75
Charles A. Wales, labor and materials . .	75 85
John Wallace, supplies	89 25
A. J. Towns, supplies	46 00
N. E. Buck, supplies	23 71
Seth Mann, 2d, pasturage	5 00
Twomey & Brennan, supplies	38 25
Samuel Howard, supplies	10 35
James C. White, manure	3 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	25 15
P. F. Burke, derrick	125 00
Total	<u>\$3,124 73</u>

ALMSHOUSE.

Dr.

To Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1891 .	\$2,866 95	
Cash paid for supplies to Dec. 31,		
1892	3,124 73	
	<u> </u>	\$5,991 68

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By Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1892 .	\$2,687 90	
Labor of town teams	608 22	
Labor of superintendent	396 00	
Board of sundry persons	153 00	
Town of Holbrook, board of sun-		
dry persons	160 37	
Sale of old boiler	10 00	
Sale of manure	31 50	
Sale of produce	39 60	
Net expense	1,905 09	
	<u> </u>	\$5,991 68

LIST OF PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMS-
HOUSE, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

	Weeks.
Lewis Linfield	52
Henry D. Holbrook * †	36
Edmund Eddy	52
Joseph A. Fritts	52
Bartholomew Gill	52
William A. Doyle	52
William Morrissey ‡	48
Margaret T. Morrissey ‡	48
Teresa Long ‡	46
Lydia Dyer †	43
Catherine Heney	52
Annie L. Holbrook	52
Anganette Cross	4
Lydia Cross	4
Louis Cross	4
Joseph E. Beyette ‡	1 4-7
Annie L. Beyette ‡	1 4-7
Bertha M. Beyette ‡	1 4-7
William A. Beyette ‡	1 4-7
Walter E. Mann ‡	1
Mrs. Maurice Colbert †	8
John White	1

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, &C., DEC. 31, 1892.

2 horses	\$450 00
1 cow	40 00
1 hog	20 00
24 fowls	24 00

* Refunded \$23.

† Dead.

‡ Discharged.

7 tons English hay	\$140 00
1 road scraper	75 00
3 horse carts	175 00
1 farm wagon	60 00
1 carriage	20 00
1 two-horse wagon	60 00
1 swing drag	35 00
1 mowing machine	25 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	8 00
2 gravel screens	10 00
2 cart harnesses	30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 pair double harnesses	40 00
1 two-horse sled, shafts and pole	50 00
4 draft chains	10 00
2 grindstones	8 00
2 carriage jacks	4 00
4 baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
2 ploughs	15 00
1 harrow	5 00
8 hay and manure forks	5 00
6 shovels	6 00
2 iron bars and 3 picks	5 00
3 wood-saws and saw-horses	4 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Wooden ware	15 00
Sewing machine	16 00
1 ice chest	45 00
clothes wringer and tinware	15 00
10 hand lamps, 3 hanging lamps and 3 lanterns	10 00
1 clock	4 00
12 cuspadores	6 00
26 iron bedsteads	100 00

10 feather beds	\$60 00
25 under beds	36 00
42 sheets	21 00
15 white blankets	15 00
34 colored blankets	34 00
46 pillow cases	15 00
6 bedspreads	6 00
50 feather pillows	30 00
20 comforters	20 00
24 towels	4 00
3 table cloths	3 00
7 small tables and 4 dining tables	5 00
1 walnut extension table	10 00
2 all-wool carpets	35 00
58 chairs	25 00
4 brooms	1 00
1 churn, \$3.00 ; coal shovels and hods, \$5.00	8 00
1 hospital bedstead	40 00
1 wheelbarrow, \$3.00 ; 2 axes, \$2.00	5 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 50
4 scythes and snaths	4 00
2 hand-saws, plane and square	4 00
1 bitstock, bit, iron vise, &c.	5 00
4 stone hammers, 32 drills	30 00
50 flour barrels	5 00
8 cords wood	64 00
21 tons coal	136 00
3 bushels potatoes	2 50
Garden vegetables	5 00
1 barrel of flour	6 50
30 pounds crackers	3 00
25 pounds butter	7 50
25 pounds lard	3 00
1 barrel of pork	24 00

2 gallons molasses	\$1 20
2 gallons vinegar	50
1 bushel beans	2 25
Pickles and preserves	8 00
100 pounds sugar	5 00
5 pounds tea	2 50
Spices	1 50
2 pounds tobacco	70
Grain and meal	9 00
50 pounds ham	5 00
30 pounds bacon	3 00
20 gallons kerosene	2 00
1 kerosene barrel	1 50
1 stove	5 00
1 fire extinguisher	30 00
9 flatirons	4 00
1 box soap powder	2 00
45 pounds soap	2 25
8 snow plows	100 00
1 derrick and anchor pins	125 00
1 sleigh	15 00
carriage robes, blankets, &c.	15 00
1 cooking range, hot water tank, &c.	70 00
4 barrels of apples	8 00
Total	<u>\$2,687 90</u>

RELIEF OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for Anna A. Thayer	\$120 25
Alexander Holbrook and wife	117 95
Mrs. Maurice Colbert	85 98
Julia Ainsley and family	167 37
Mrs. Luke O'Reilly and family	165 20
Isaac Holbrook and wife	123 60

Paid for John Leahy and wife	\$176 42
John Acherson	51 00
David J. Foley and family	253 91
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	64 42
Mrs. John De Neill and family . . .	152 00
Susan Acherson	65 35
Thomas Murray and wife	115 88
James Neary	2 60
Thomas English and family	2 25
Patrick Barry	10 50
Bridget Gill	69 50
Frederick Heney	4 00
Lucinda Holbrook	38 00
Elizabeth Green	17 75
William R. Farquhar, at Westborough Insane Hospital	174 12
Ephraim L. Thayer, at State Almshouse and transportation to Colorado . .	217 00
Mary Forrest, at State Almshouse . .	118 40
William F. Wills, at State Almshouse .	146 40
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92
Margaret Ward, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92
Timothy Donahoe, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92
Thomas F. Kiley, at Westborough In- sane Hospital	130 46
Eliza Myers	25 00
Israel Beyette and family	38 63
Ruel F. Cross and family	4 35
Mrs. James Butler	45 00
Mrs. Amasa Clark	104 00
Fannie Niles	85 50

Paid for Patrick W. Cleary	\$19 34
Annie Drury and child	78 00
Thomas Donahoe and family	24 00
Annie Bunberry and family	49 50
Hubert W. Mann and family	21 75
Gerald Farrell and family	33 50
Ann Brophy	20 17
Ellen Wilkinson	16 50
John T. Lee	4 00
Susanna Buckley	15 00
Margaret DeNeill	6 30
Aid to sundry persons	29 20
Aid to sundry persons refunded	34 00
Total	<u>\$3,753 81</u>
Appropriation \$4,000 00	
Unexpended, 246 19	

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.*

Paid for Ebenezer Holbrook and family . .	\$133 75
Charles V. Sloan and family	98 65
Christianna Sloan	9 40
James Meany family	281 45
Thomas F. Hand and family	28 25
Lawrence Leavitt and family	53 00
Michael P. Dumphy family	244 50
Thomas Noonan	16 00
John E. Mann and family	64 00
Mary Mullins	72 00
George Kiley	120 00
Richard Adams	12 20
Lewis N. Weathee, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92

Paid for George F. French	\$5 63
Albert Howard and wife	49 00
Aid refunded	40 00
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Total	\$1,397 75

Appropriation, \$1,000 00

Unexpended, 54 83

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Charles Abbott	\$52 00
Michael Lagan	40 40
Hiram Holbrook	32 25
Leroy S. Hollis	7 50
Martin S. Poppy	12 00
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Total	\$144 15

Appropriation, \$200 00

Unexpended, 55 85

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Wilfred N. Pendergrass family, of Holbrook	\$156 00
Louisa Pool, Holbrook	102 50
Mrs. John C. Welch, Weymouth	135 20
Albert and John Lang, Taunton	108 00
Mrs. Robert E. Weaver, Millis	2 00
Andrew Nightingale, Braintree	2 50
Mrs. Thomas Sanderson, Braintree	6 10
Frank E. Wilder, Boston	2 68

*One third paid by Holbrook, \$452 58

Paid by Randolph, 945 17

\$1,397 75

Paid for Mrs. John E. Glover, Quincy . . .	\$14 60
Alvah M. Nightingale, Duxbury . . .	13 00
Total	<hr/> \$542 58

No appropriation.

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE, 1892.

Paid O. M. Sheridan, M.D.	\$38 88
Visits made David J. Foley family . . .	12
Thomas Murray	23
Mrs. Colbert	42
Ann Brophy	1
Bridget Gill	9
Thomas F. Hand family	14
A. L. Chase, M.D.	38 88
Visits made Henry D. Holbrook . . .	17
Annie L. Holbrook	16
Maggie Morrissey	2
Edmund Eddy	1
Catherine Heney	1
Lydia Dyer	2
Hiram Holbrook	8
Nellie Hunt	8
Joseph Fritts	15
Mrs. Israel Beyette	5
Thaddeus T. Cushman, M.D.	38 88
Visits made Anna A. Thayer	95
Isaac Holbrook and wife	17
E. A. Allen, M.D.	
Visits made Henry Holbrook	21
F. C. Granger, M.D.	\$38 88
Visits made William Doyle	2
Joseph Fritts	13

Visits made Catherine Meaney	8	
Mrs. Luke O'Reilly	18	
C. C. Farnham, M.D.		\$38 88
Visits made Thomas Donahoe family	17	
Christianna Sloan	8	
Bartholomew Gill	10	
Walter E. Mann	3	
James White	11	
D. F. Kinnier, M.D.		38 88
Visits made M. Lagan	3	
Bridget Gill	17	
Margaret DeNeill	9	
John Leahy	73	
Total		<u>\$254 28</u>
Appropriation, \$350 00		
Unexpended, 95 72		

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE SELECTMEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$601 22
labor of George R. Weaver	396 00
Thomas Noonan, aid refunded	20 00
fencing on North Street	15 00
Stone Brothers, rent of Matthew Clark building	62 50
F. A. Stanley, rent of Matthew Clark building	37 50
Henry D. Holbrook, board refunded	64 00
M. P. Pike	1 60
Sale of produce	39 60
sale of manure	31 50
board refunded	130 00
use of scraper	3 00
aid refunded	27 00

For use of derrick	\$15 00
sale of old boiler	10 00
sale of Braintree Records	10 50
James Dowd	2 00
rebate on insurance	45 00
sundry items	7 50
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	\$1,518 ⁷ / ₉₂

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1893.

For schools (see report of School Committee) .	\$10,700 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees)	2,570 00
miscellaneous town expenses	2,000 00
repairs of highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	300 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	3,800 00
soldiers' relief	200 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	1,000 00
military aid	300 00
town officers	2,100 00
water works (see report of Commissioners)	10,375 00
interest on town debt	2,000 00
fire department (see report of Engineers) .	2,400 00

Respectfully submitted,

PETER B. HAND.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.

JOHN K. WILLARD.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Inhabitants of
Randolph:*

The following annual report of the School Committee is submitted for your consideration.

Education has become a matter of vital importance at the present time, as compared with the ideas that former generations have cherished in regard to the mental and moral culture and training of the young people of our republic.

With us, the problem of better fitting our children for the struggles in life, to overcome the great obstacles which they will meet, has never been satisfactorily solved. New methods of training are constantly supplanting the old; and teaching has become an art for which there is need of special training and preparation.

Universal activity is manifest throughout this country in the search for improvement in this art, which has so recently attracted the attention of every individual who has become in the least interested in the education of the young and rising generation, and the future welfare of our republic.

Heretofore, in our public schools, the duty of a teacher was supposed to consist in giving such instruction to the pupils as should enable them to accomplish the amount of work belonging to their grades, as specified by the committee.

But of late many demands are made upon the teachers in the way of special preparation for the celebration of occasions of public rejoicing. All this tends not only to culti-

vate the pupil's mental faculties, but also to assist him in being more obedient at home, a better child in school, a more useful man, and a patriotic citizen.

But while the mental faculties of the pupil are advancing, while patriotism claims its due share of his attention, his moral culture should not be neglected; he should be taught to love and fear his Creator, to whom he is indebted for life and all its enjoyments.

The co-operation of parents and teachers is much to be desired, and is considered a matter of necessity for the interest of the pupil in his advancement from one grade to a higher.

Parents should know their children are in school every day, that they lose not one session of the year. If so, there will be no difficulty in promotion at the commencement of the school year.

SCHOOLS.

No change has been made in the corps of teachers the present year, except in the Prescott Grammar.

Miss Sara J. McGaughey resigned her position as teacher in August last. Miss Kate Kiley was chosen to the vacancy caused by such resignation.

The pupils have made good progress thus far, and if nothing occurs to disturb the schools the remainder of the year, the pupils will be well fitted for promotion.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.

No teacher in these branches has been employed; but singing has been conducted in all schools in Randolph, and drawing is taught with other branches in the several rooms.

SCHOOLHOUSES.

The Prescott Primary, not being needed as a school building, has been placed in the hands of the Selectmen.

The old West Corner schoolhouse was sold to Charles A.

Wales for the sum of sixty dollars. The construction of the new house was undertaken by Mr. H. B. Libby, of Randolph. The work being satisfactory to the building committee, Mr. Libby received the full amount of his bid, which was the sum of one thousand five hundred and forty-six dollars and forty-six cents, which sum exceeds the appropriation by forty-six dollars and forty-six cents.

MEMORIAL DAY.

In order to cultivate a spirit of loyalty and patriotism among the pupils of our state, and to keep in grateful remembrance the living and dead heroes who endured hardship, privation, and in many thousands of cases death itself, that the nation might live, the Legislature of the state has ordered that the last session of every public school prior to Memorial Day shall be devoted to exercises of a patriotic nature. In accordance with the above provision, suitable exercises were given in the several schools of Randolph, and we think in most cases were of a very entertaining and instructive character and well calculated to bring about the end desired, namely, a strong love for country, home, and native land, implanted so deeply in the heart of each pupil that nothing shall ever be able to eradicate it. We heartily wish that more of the parents and friends would avail themselves of these special occasions, if on no other, to visit the schools and encourage teachers and pupils by such an expression of their interest.

COLUMBUS DAY.

Right in line with the thoughts above expressed, a national holiday was set apart for this year to commemorate the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of our country by Christopher Columbus.

A programme was prepared by a National Executive Committee and so planned and arranged that at a given hour the

same songs, the same poems, the same stirring speeches were being given over all our broad land. The schools of our town carried out the programme at the High, Prescott, and North Grammar buildings, in the presence of the committee and many friends of the schools. The pupils performed their parts and conducted themselves in a manner to call forth very hearty praise. The pupils and teachers were assisted by delegations from Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R. The impression made upon the minds of the children must have been wholesome and lasting.

ROLL OF HONOR.

NAMES OF PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING
THE YEAR.

Mabel DeForest.	Annie E. Chessman.
Frank W. Browne.	Grace M. Hill.
Wesley C. Poole.	Bertha A. Mann.
Frank A. Thayer.	G. Loring Binney.
Albert C. Wilde.	Herbert Langley.
Joseph Campagna.	Francis M. Devine.
Bertha Devine.	Alice E. Stone.
Frank N. French.	Kitty Sullivan.
Willie M. Bustard.	Jennie Good.
Augusta Mahady.	Isabel Pope.
Kittie Sutton.	Hubert Guinan.
	Maurice Kiley.

NOT ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

Winnie Tucker.	Carrie Devine.
J. N. Kinsley.	Emelie Schmidt.
Minnie Smith.	Willie Barry.
Nicholas Moore.	Chester Howard.
Edmund Brady.	Edward Forest.
Della Cunningham.	Marie McCue.

Anna O'Brien.	Annie Rooney.
Bertha Wentworth.	Joseph Campagna.
Robert Willard.	Mary Campagna.
Herbert C. Jones.	Mabel Tabor.
John Dunn.	Alice E. Hill.
Lena F. Wismet.	J. Edward Devine.
Edmund F. Thayer.	Herbert French.
Esther M. Holbrook.	Lena Fischer.
Joseph Devine.	Kate A. Clark.
	Herman French.

NOT ABSENT FOR ONE TERM.

Clara T. Mann.	Walter E. Scanlon.
Chester S. Wentworth.	Esther A. E. Wentworth.
Carleton A. Chessman.	Minnie Fischer.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average number enrolled.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14 years.	No. under 5 years of age.	Not absent during the year.
HIGH,	Hugh J. Molloy, Isabel M. Breed, Edith Bancroft.	70	67	63	85	34	10	0	
PRESCOTT	Thomas H. West,	59	55	51	92	1	48	0	8
GRAMMAR,	Kate Kiley,	52	48	46	94	0	52	0	9
	Kate E. Sheridan.	40	39	37	94	0	39	0	5
PRESCOTT	Mary A. Molloy,	43	39	37	94	0	36	0	7
PRIMARY,	Mary E. Wren,	41	41	37	90	0	6	0	2
	Catharine R. Molloy.	40	35	32	91	0	0	0	8
NORTH	Joseph Belcher,	56	54	51	94+	4	45	0	8
GRAMMAR,	Ellen P. Henry.	40	37	35	94	0	40	0	2
NORTH	Emma D. Stetson,	34	33	30	90	0	28	0	3
PRIMARY,	Clara A. Tolman.	33	30	28	85	0	3	0	0
UNGRADED	Sara C. Belcher,	36	29	27	93+	0	28	1	0
SCHOOLS,	R. M. Brady,	26	22	19	86	0	10	1	1
	Lucie W. Lewis,	40	33	29	87	0	23	0	0
	Hannah F. Hoyer.	47	42	39	93	0	19	0	10

APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee respectfully ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to enable them to meet the expenses of the ensuing year to March 1, 1894:

For teaching	\$7,756 00
fuel	650 00
care of rooms	525 00
general and incidental	400 00
permanent repairs	500 00
books and supplies	900 00
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	\$10,701 00
Coddington fund	\$80 00
Dog tax	508 00
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	\$772 00

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS TO DEC. 31, 1892. .

FOR TEACHING.

Paid Thomas H. West	\$1,026 31
Joseph Belcher	1,026 29
Ellen P. Henry	436 14
Katherine A. Kiley	178 88
Emma D. Stetson	390 00
Katherine E. Sheridan	409 50
Mary A. Molloy	390 00
Mary E. Wren	390 00
Katherine R. Malloy	370 50
Clara A. Tolman	370 50
Rose M. Brady	351 00
Lucy W. Lewis	351 00
Hannah F. Hoyer	351 00

Paid Sara C. Belcher	\$351 00
Sara G. McGaughey	257 14
Total	<u>\$6,649 26</u>

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS, 1892.

Paid Lincoln Stetson, wood	\$2 50
Joseph T. Leahy, wood	10 00
S. Austin Thayer, coal	335 00
Michael Sheridan, sawing wood	2 50
Edwin M. Mann, wood	16 00
Total	<u>\$366 00</u>

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid Caleb Stevens, 1891	\$20 00
Michael Sheridan	265 35
Michael Van Buren Howard	100 40
Mrs. Lewis Stetson	25 30
Eleanor Holbrook	28 80
Henry G. Beal	24 48
Mrs. William O'Halloran	12 00
Mrs. John De Neill	12 00
James Barry	25 75
	<u>\$514 08</u>

GENERAL AND INCIDENTAL AND PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid Thomas Donahoe, labor	\$16 50
John B. Thayer, labor, Prescott School	27 88
Timothy Sullivan, labor	4 00
John Harris, labor	4 00
F. A. Stanley, labor	95 51
C. H. Mann, posts	1 65
Simon Corliss, stone	5 25

Paid Wellington Lewis, grading	\$10 00
F. Belcher, curtains	3 90
F. A. Stanley, seats	41 23
Joseph T. Leahy, team work	29 55
James Fardy	3 50
S. A. Thayer, bushes	3 00
Frank Donahoe, truant officer	20 00
Thomas Dolan, supplies and postage	8 00
Thomas Dolan, census of school children, 1892	20 00
M. V. B. Howard, truant officer	15 00
Howard & Austin, plan new schoolhouse	25 00
Enterprising Publishing Co. . . .	3 05
Frank J. Donahoe, extra services	3 00
F. A. Spear, programs	6 50
E. A. Dustin, tuning piano	2 00
Thomas Bancroft, grading yard, W. C. . . .	75 00
M. F. Smith, labor on schools	5 00
Odell & Foster, repairing drum	3 50
Burke & Hurley, labor	4 50
H. B. Libbey, labor incidentals	34 25
Joseph Belcher, incidentals	8 12
Thomas Dolan, agent for supplies, and ex- penses	25 00
Edwin M. Mann, fertilizer	1 50
Water Works	8 78
C. A. Wales, new stoves and repairs	167 26
D. H. Huxford, printing	15 50
School Committee, services, W. C. . . .	45 00
Thomas Dolan, cash paid	2 25
F. A. Belcher, 30 yards border	1 50
A. J. Gove, express	15 65
W. A. Spear, auction	3 00
Thomas Donahoe	1 50
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	\$765 83

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State school fund	\$184 64
Coddington fund	80 00
Return from dog fund	508 62

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Thompson, Brown & Co.	\$195 12
Boston School Supply Co.	314 13
Carl Schoenhof	6 96
J. L. Hammett	7 50
Prang Educational Co.	9 80
George S. Perry	28 15
Thorp & Adams Manufacturing Co.	8 20
Perry Mason & Co.	3 75
Ginn & Co.	37 71
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	\$611 32

NEW SCHOOLHOUSE, WEST CORNER.

Paid H. B. Libby	\$1,481 46
Griffith Jones	60 00
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	\$1,546 46

Appropriation, \$1,500 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for teaching	\$6,649 26
general and incidentals	765 83
books and supplies	611 32
care of rooms	514 08
fuel	344 00
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	\$8,906 49

THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN.
 THOMAS DOLAN.
 ASA P. FRENCH.

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph :

The trustees of the Stetson School Fund beg leave to submit their annual report. The High School, which is under our especial supervision, and is supported partly by the income of this fund and partly by your appropriation, has, since our last report, completed a year of excellent work, and has entered upon another which promises to be equally productive of good results.

The following is, in brief, the history of the school in the meantime, and a statement of its present condition :—

The exercises of the forty-eighth annual commencement occurred on the twenty-fourth day of June last, at which time there were graduated twenty-one pupils :

FOUR YEARS' COURSE.

Ella Louise Chase.	Nellie Marie Haney.
Mabel Tucker Knight.	Nellie Elizabeth McLaughlin.
Nellie Greta Prescott.	Joseph Cushman Breitling.
Edward Joseph Quinn.	Mabel Ella Thayer.
Carroll Adams Capen.	

TWO YEARS' COURSE.

Anna Agnes Flynn.	Mary Alice McMahon.
Nellie Veronica Pope.	Celia Gertrude Barry.
Mary Elizabeth Alden.	Flora Maria Holbrook.
Catherine Mary Walsh.	Ella Loretta Aldrich.

Isabel Maria Beals.
Herman Shaw.

Henry Jefferson Mann.
Alfred Edward Nash.

The Turner medals were awarded to Ella Louise Chase, the valedictorian, and Nellie Greta Prescott, the salutatorian.

At the close of the school year, Miss May L. Knowlton resigned her position of assistant teacher, which she had filled for several years to the entire satisfaction of the trustees, and Miss Edith Bancroft, of Reading, a graduate of Wellesley College, was elected to fill the vacancy. In other respects the list of teachers is unchanged. Mr. Molloy still remains at the head of the school, a position for which he is admirably fitted, and Miss Breed continues to perform with ability and fidelity the duties of assistant.

The trustees, at the beginning of the present school year, made one important change in the curriculum, which they believe to be for the interest of the school and of education in the town, and which they hope will commend itself to you : they have abolished the so-called Two Years' Course, at the end of which it has for several years been customary to grant a diploma. This change, however, is not to affect any pupil who entered the school previous to September last. A two years' course may still be taken if desired, but no diploma will be awarded except upon the completion of four years of faithful study in either the Classical or English Course. In the Classical Course, instruction is given in Latin, Greek (optional) and French (optional), Algebra, Geometry, Physiology, Physics, Chemistry, English History, and English and American Literature. Forty-three pupils are now pursuing this course of study. The English Course includes Arithmetic, Algebra, Book-keeping, Physiology, Physics, Chemistry, Physical Geography, English Composition and Rhetoric, English Grammar, English History, English and American Literature and French. This course numbers

twenty pupils. Of the class recently admitted nineteen entered the Classical Course, and nine the English Course.

German may be added to either course, if at the beginning of the year a fair number should desire to study it.

On each Wednesday, the morning session is given up to general exercises in music, declamation, drawing and arithmetic. We are convinced that it is a desirable thing for the school that these, and the regular exercises, should be more frequently visited by the parents and friends of the pupils.

The account of the treasurer and secretary is hereto annexed. There has been no change in the securities in which either the Stetson Fund, or the Turner Fund, is invested.

No alterations or repairs of a permanent nature have been made on the building or furnishings during the past year, except that a number of new desks have been purchased for the school-room.

In this connection we suggest for your consideration that Stetson Hall needs to be refitted with settees, and recommend that a sum of money be appropriated for that purpose.

The trustees have found serious embarrassment from the fact that the appropriation at the last annual meeting was made for the year ending January 1, 1893, and that there is consequently no money with which to defray the expenses incurred during January and February of this year. In order to carry on the school as it has been in the past, we ask you to appropriate at the coming annual meeting a sufficient sum to pay the bills which we have contracted since January 1, 1893, and also to carry the school through to March 1, 1894, and we estimate that twenty-five hundred and seventy (2570) dollars and the usual bank tax will be necessary for that purpose. At the meeting in 1894 the sum asked for would properly be reduced two twenty-two hundred (2200) dollars, and the bank tax, which has been the cus-

tomary appropriation for a number of years until the present.

Respectfully submitted,

ASA P. FRENCH.

T. T. CUSHMAN,

JOHN B. WREN,

Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT

1892.			
Jan.	1.	To balance old account	\$360 18
Mar.	28.	Town appropriation, part of	920 00
April	1.	Dividends, Eliot National Bank	30 00
		Webster National Bank	20 00
		Hide and Leather National Bank	30 00
		Shoe and Leather National Bank	20 00
		Exchange National Bank	30 00
		Boylston National Bank	30 00
		Tremont National Bank	25 00
		Old Boston National Bank	30 00
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00
		Randolph National Bank	65 00
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			319 00
Aug.	2.	Town appropriation, balance of	920 00
Oct.	1.	Dividends, Eliot National Bank	30 00
		Webster National Bank	20 00
		Hide and Leather National Bank	30 00
		Shoe and Leather National Bank	20 00
		Exchange National Bank	30 00
		Boylston National Bank	30 00
		Tremont National Bank	25 00
		Old Boston National Bank	25 00
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00
		Randolph National Bank	65 00
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			314 00
Dec.	31.	Tax on bank stock refunded by town	184 90
		Rental of hall during year	115 00
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			\$3,133 08

RANDOLPH, January 23, 1893.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of Stetson School Fund as represented, and find them correct.

The investments remain in the bank stock reported by the Trustees, same as last year, the par value of which is \$10,600, the certificates remaining with the Secretary.

We also find in the hands of the Secretary a \$1000 bond, the investment for the Turner Fund, same as reported.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD.

WITH THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1892.	
Jan. 15.	By paying stationery \$ 20
Feb. 6.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 147 36
6.	May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . 57 90
6.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 55 26
Mar. 11.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 184 21
11.	May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . 72 37
11.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 69 08
11.	Colin Boyd, bill 25 00
Apr. 9.	A. J. Gove, bill 46 22
22.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 147 36
22.	May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . 57 90
22.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 55 26
23.	C. F. & A. W. Stone, bill . . 1 50
May 21.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 147 36
21.	May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . 57 90
21.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 55 26
24.	D. B. White, bill, coal . . . 43 75
June 24.	Am. Bank Note Co., bill, diplomas 6 25
24.	A. F. Dinsmore, bill, diplomas . 5 25
24.	Thomas Hall, bill, supplies . . 85
24.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 184 27
24.	May L. Knowlton, acct. salary . 72 33
24.	L. H. Wood, bill 2 25
24.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 69 10
Aug. 2.	Asa P. French, express . . . 7 26
July 2.	Colin Boyd, bill 39 55
Aug. 2.	Frank J. Donahue, bill . . . 1 50
2.	C. F. & A. W. Stone, bill . . 1 27
Sept. 19.	Colin Boyd, bill 6 90
27.	Geo. S. Perry & Co., bill, desks . 112 00
28.	R. B. Wendell, bill 21 50
Oct. 1.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 147 36
1.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 55 26
1.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary . 52 64
3.	F. A. Stanley, bill 9 17
20.	James Fardy, bill 15 75
Nov. 1.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 148 96
1.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 55 26
1.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary . 52 64
21.	D. H. Huxford, bill, printing . 15 75
24.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . 147 36
24.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . 55 26

Nov. 24.	By paying Edith Bancroft, acct. salary . . .	\$52 64	
Dec. 10.	Colin Boyd, bill	31 20	
10.	J. B. Thayer, bill	2 50	
13.	J. T. Leahy, bill, coal	227 00	
13.	J. T. Leahy, bill	3 50	
31.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	147 36	
31.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	55 26	
31.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary	52 64	
31.	F. A. Stanley, bill, repairs	10 02	
31.	H. M. White & Co., bill, supplies.	1 32	
31.	Trustees and Secretary	20 00	
		<hr/>	\$3,113 02
	Balance		20 06
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			\$3,133 08

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1892.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

PETER B. HAND. P. H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD.

Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

REV. JOHN C. LABAREE, D.D. JOHN V. BEAL.

NATHANIEL HOWARD. J. WINSOR PRATT.

JOHN B. THAYER. GILBERT A. TOLMAN.

ASA P. FRENCH. REV. CLARENCE FOWLER.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant.

MRS. FRANCES O. HOWARD.



TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the seventeenth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library, and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees, for the year ending December 31, 1892.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, Nathaniel Howard, and John K. Willard) report that the total amount expended for the year ending December 31, 1892, has been \$728.52; janitor \$125; fuel and gasoline, \$466.96; repairs, \$120.56; water, \$16. The building is in good condition, and no extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year. The parties who have been supplied with light and heat have paid their proportionate part of the same as assessed by the committee.

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Labaree, Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, John J. Crawford, and Asa P. French), and the books, charts, and furnishings

of the library were found in their usual excellent condition. The following extracts from the annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees contain interesting information and statistics pertaining to the library :

"During the year 1892 there have been added four hundred and eight volumes,—the largest since 1886, making the present total eleven thousand six hundred and ninety-three. The library has also received its usual supply of governmental and state documents, which are not included in the above."

"The library was closed to the public from June 25th to August 1st, during which time a thorough recount of the books and comparison with the shelf-lists was made. This annual examination found every volume in its place upon the shelves."

"In the matter of circulation the record has been satisfactory in quantity and particularly so in quality. The large number of young people pursuing courses of study in the advanced schools of Boston, Cambridge and Braintree, and the furnishing of special cards for the use of our own public schools, has created a great demand for works in the department of history, biography and literature. Fortunately the Turner Library is rich in these departments and has been thus far able to meet every reasonable requirement."

"The library has been open to the public two hundred and seventy-five days, during which period there have been issued for home use sixteen thousand six hundred and twenty-seven volumes — an average of sixty and one-half for every library day."

"The total number of registered patrons is fifteen hundred and nine."

"The reading room has been well patronized and generally good order has been maintained."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt, P. H. McLaughlin, and Peter B. Hand) report that they have examined the accounts of the treasurer, in compliance with article 10 of the by-laws, and find that the bills and orders for expenditures, which have been presented for payment, have been paid by the treasurer, upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$376.66 is now in the treasury. They further find that all the rents, interest, and all the revenues, from whatever source, have been duly collected and properly secured. The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the balance before mentioned, consist of \$5000 invested in a promissory note of the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, and the additional sum of \$10,000, known as the "Turner Fund," invested as follows:—

Three bonds of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, \$1000 each.

Two bonds of Union Pacific Railroad, collateral trust, \$1000 each.

Three bonds of Kansas Pacific Railroad, \$1000 each.

Two bonds of Burlington & Missouri River Railroad, \$1000 each.

For the current year the income is estimated as follows:

From rents	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$550 00
Interest on town note	.	.	.	.	.	.	200 00
From Turner Fund	.	.	.	.	.	.	570 00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$1,320 00</u>

The receipts and expenditures for the year ending Decem-

ber 31, 1892, are set forth in detail in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

The trustees take great pleasure in again reporting to the town a prosperous year in the management and work of the library. The duties of the librarian and his assistant have been patiently, carefully and acceptably performed, and the privileges of the library have been freely offered and enjoyed by all during the whole time allotted by the trustees for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 2, 1893.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

Jan. 1, 1892.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	\$663 04
Received rent from Randolph National Bank .	200 00
rent from Randolph Savings Bank .	100 00
rent from C. H. Belcher	300 00
rent from Ladies Library Association	15 00
from Turner Fund	570 00
interest on town note (six months) .	100 00
from banks, church and others for gas	
and fuel	249 94
for fines and catalogues	54 02
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	\$2,252 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for books, magazines and binding . .	\$586 65
Librarian, salary for one year	500 00

Paid janitor	\$125 00
fuel and gasoline	466 96
permanent repairs	120 56
express on books and packages	26 65
supplies, including water	49 52
Balance on hand December 31, 1892	376 66
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	\$2,252 00

The Turner Fund remains invested the same as last year, viz. :

Three Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad bonds	\$3,000 00
Three Kansas Pacific Railroad bonds	3,000 00
Two Union Pacific Railroad bonds	2,000 00
Two Burlington & Missouri River Railroad bonds	2,000 00

The remaining funds consist of the \$5000 note of the town of Randolph, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,

Randolph, January 2, 1893.

Treasurer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
RANDOLPH, Dec. 31, 1892.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submit the following as their report:—

ORGANIZATION.

On May 1, 1892, the department organized as follows:—

Board of Engineers.

C. A. Wales (*Chief*), John Haney, D. J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond (*Assistants*), W. A. Croak (*Clerk and Assistant*).

Companies.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Steamer No. 2, James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine, J. E. Blanche, *Driver*.

Hook and Ladder Truck, Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon No. 1, Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel No. 2, Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1, James Farrell, *Foreman*; 15 men.

Hose Co. No. 2, G. W. Shedd, *Foreman*; 10 men.

Chemical Co. No. 1, James A. Sullivan, *Foreman*; 15 men.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Frank Taylor, *Foreman*; 15 men.

FIRES.

Feb. 22, 1892, 3.30 A.M., alarm for a fire in the dwelling on Pleasant street owned by Simon Schraut, and occupied by George Clay, who lost all his furniture. Damage to building about \$800; insured; cause of fire, overheated stove.

March 3, 10 A.M., still alarm, caused by burning soot in chimney of dwelling on Main street owned and occupied by heirs of the late Dr. Jonathan Wales; no damage.

March 7, 7.15 A.M., alarm for a fire on the roof of factory on Main street owned by J. W. Pratt and occupied by Piper & Cottle. Damage to building, about \$35; insured; cause of fire, spark from chimney.

March 11, 3 P.M., still alarm for a slight fire in the dwelling on Main street owned and occupied by Dr. Warren M. Babbett. Damage, about \$15; cause of fire, accidental.

March 18, 9.15 P.M., still alarm for a slight fire in dwelling on Main street owned and occupied by C. A. Wales; cause of fire, kerosene stove.

April 3, on a still alarm, Chief Wales with members of the department, were called to a fire in the woodland between South Main street and the Old Colony Railroad, owned by various parties.

May 6, 8.45 P.M., alarm for fire in the unoccupied dwelling on Ward street, supposed to be owned by W. E. Jewell of Boston; extinguished by neighbors before arrival of fireman.

May 7, on a still alarm, Assistant Engineers Brennan and Haney, with members of the department, extinguished a fire in woodland on North street near the Braintree line owned by Seth A. Thayer.

May 10, 10 A.M., alarm for a fire in dwelling at junction of Warren and West streets owned by heirs of the late Luke

O. Reiley, and occupied by Emory Lyons. Damage, about \$175; cause of fire, children and matches.

June 18, 2 P.M., alarm for a fire in the Jewell house on Ward street, for the fourth time, which added a little more damage.

June 20, 11.15 P.M., for the fifth time an alarm called the department to the Jewell house on Ward street, which was wholly destroyed; no estimate of damage, from the fact that the building had been unoccupied for a long time, with no windows or doors in it.

August 7, 10.40 A.M., alarm for a slight fire in the shoe factory on Warren street owned and occupied by Bradley & Hagney. Damage, \$10 or \$15; cause of fire unknown.

August 13, 10.40 P.M., alarm for a fire in an unoccupied dwelling on North street owned by Patrick Gogan (formerly by Frank Smith); the building had been vacant a long time with no doors or windows. Damage, about \$50; cause of fire, incendiary.

December 31, 2 A.M., on a still alarm, Chief Wales, with members of Hose 2, extinguished a fire in the last of the block of ice-houses, which were formerly owned and occupied by Josiah Clark, on Norroway Lake near North Main street.

EXPENSES.

Paid 59½ men services 1 year to May, 1892	\$714 00
1 man 475 hours, 50 cents per hour	237 50
1 man 153 hours, 25 cents per hour	38 25
Engineer of steamer	40 00
Fireman of steamer	30 00
fires in woodland	19 50
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus of Hose 1, to May, 1892	300 00

Paid A. J. Gove, extra team, expressing, &c. .	\$16 30
James Riley, hauling apparatus of Hose 2, to October, 1892	60 00
W. F. Sullivan, chemical 1, steward, to December, 1892	75 75
F. J. Donahue, steward, steamer 1, to Oct- ober, 1892	56 50
W. M. Howard, steward, 1 year to May, 1892, Hose 2	76 25
W. C. Holleran, steward, H. & L., to May 1892	9 50
M. M. Alden, repairs of houses	58 11
E. M. Mann, wood	4 00
Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies.	12 00
A. S. Jackson, supplies	63 84
R. McLennon, supplies	4 00
D. B. White, coal	45 50
Colin Boyd, care of room	6 00
James Farrell, janitor, Hose 1	6 00
Seth A. Thayer, coal	18 75
Hartford Insurance Co., inspection of steamers	25 00
James Riley, rent of land two years	30 00
Mary Sullivan, rent of land one year	10 00
J. White Belcher, insurance	7 50
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	\$1,964 25

The amount of appropriation was \$1,832.85, which shows that the overdrawn amount is \$131.40. While it does appear by the above figures that the amount had been overdrawn, yet such is not the actual fact, for the reason that there is \$275.75 in the expense account that was paid for service at fires, at 25 and 50 cents per hour, for which no appropriation was made.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus is in pretty good condition and consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four-wheel hose reel, one two-wheel hose reel, one chemical engine, one ladder truck, three portable chemical extinguishers, 2700 feet of hose, extra ladders in houses of steamer 2 and chemical 1, fire escape shute, jumping canvas, &c.

The steamers have been inspected, and are insured against accident for one year. The steamers have not been used at a fire since the water works were established. It seems to be a difficult matter to sell one of them as instructed by the town; therefore we would recommend that, whenever it is sold, the money received be placed at the disposal of the engineers, for the purpose of buying a new ladder truck; or if the exchange of steamer can be made for a truck, that the board of engineers with the board of selectmen, be empowered to do so.

HOUSES.

The engine houses are in fair condition except that some minor repairs are needed and will be attended to soon. We have nothing new to report in regard to the limited accommodations at the house of steamer and hose 1. We have spoken so many times in past reports, that for the present we will only refer you to the report of last year for information on this subject.

FIRE ALARM.

We will also in like manner, on the subject of fire alarm, refer you to our extended report of last year, wherein we discussed this subject at some length.

FIRE LOSSES.

The actual fire loss the past year has been about \$2000. This on buildings and contents and woodland that the de-

partment has been called to. The amount of insurance that has been paid is about \$1100.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1893.

We would recommend the same pay as last year for this department, namely, \$12 per year per man, and 50 cents per hour for actual service at fires, and 25 cents per hour for guard, or watch duty, and steward work, etc.; engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman of steamer, \$30; general expenses, \$1000. In view of the fact that the hose of the department has been in use thirteen years and is in fact becoming unserviceable, we would recommend that the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated for the purchase of new hose.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief.*

JOHN HANEY,

CORNELIUS DESMOND,

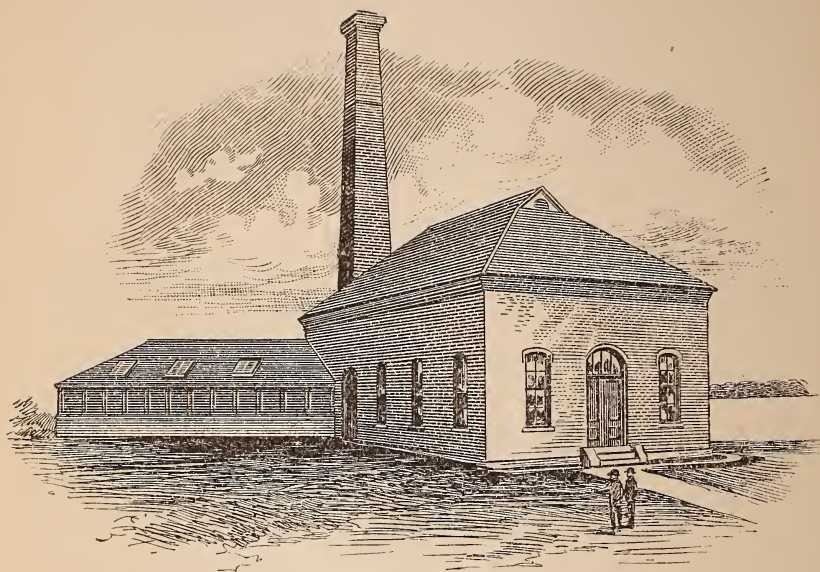
DANIEL J. BRENNAN,

Assistants.

W. A. CROAK,

Clerk and Assistant.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.



RANDOLPH PUMPING STATION.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

As Water Commissioners of the town of Randolph, we respectfully submit the seventh annual report, also reports of treasurer and superintendent, in which we shall give what information we can in regard to the different branches of the water department.

At the commencement of the year, at a joint meeting of the Commissioners, Frank G. Morse was chosen chairman and C. A. Wales clerk of the joint boards, and also it was the unanimous vote that the services of E. J. Chadbourne, as superintendent, and E. J. T. Dexter, as engineer at the pumping station, be continued at the same salary as in the previous years, and we are pleased to say that we have found them always faithful, and that they have performed their duties in a satisfactory manner.

Although the last season was an unusually dry one, we found our supply of water sufficient, and we were not obliged, as in many places, to limit the amount to be used. By examination the quality of the water remains good. During the last year tons of grass, weeds, and brush have been collected and burned on the shores of the pond, our aim being to keep the water free from everything which would make it impure ; this should be done each year as the expense is very little. The water has been kept lower than usual, as the superintendent finds that by so doing we get more spring and less surface water.

The pumping station is now completed. During the last year the pump contracted for of the George F. Blake Man-

ufacturing Company of Boston has been accepted and paid for at a cost of \$5256.44, outside of foundation, which was put in by S. B. Corliss for \$307.70. This pump has been used most of the past year, and has a capacity of 1,500,000 gallons each twenty-four hours, and has proved satisfactory in every respect; and with the Holly pump, first purchased, with a capacity of 2,500,000 gallons for twenty-four hours, and also with two boilers which, according to the last report of the inspectors were in first-class order, we think we are prepared for any emergency for some time to come, except for some accident which we cannot help.

After the work of putting in the last pump was completed it was decided to finish the station as far as possible, there never having been but a temporary floor in the station. The labor was performed by M. M. Alden, the painting and oiling by J. E. Nickerson, the piping and brass work by E. J. T. Dexter, and we feel that it is in good order and will require very little outlay, except perhaps painting, for a number of years. We cordially invite everybody to call and inspect the same and judge for themselves.

The Commissioners were also in favor of trying to bring the lawsuits and expenses of the same to a settlement as far as possible, and the standing of the same is as follows:—

The suits of the mill owners on Monatiquot river, after starting at Dedham in May, 1890, before Judge Barker, and by him referred to auditors, and the Water Commissioners not being satisfied with their decision rendered in September, the case was then carried to Dedham for trial before jury, Judge Mason presiding (for further particulars of which see last year's report), and finally during the last year to the Supreme Court, where a decision was rendered against the towns, the judges standing four to three, which is something that seldom happens in the supreme court, the judges being so equally divided in their decisions.

Everything having been done by counsel and former commissioners that was possible, the case was settled, by order from court in November, by the payment in full of twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars, Holbrook and Braintree each paying the same amount at the same time and place. This is the end of this case, all expenses of counsel, witnesses, cost and expense are paid in full, and also at the same time we settled with counsel in full to date for balances due them since the commencement of water works. Still realizing that the damages were unreasonable, we are glad to say that it is the end of that case forever.

There remains the suit of J. T. Langford, which has been standing since the completion of the works. The case has been before Judge Bennett, whose ruling was in favor of the town. Mr. Langford not being satisfied to take the amounts decided for the town to pay, the case is at a standstill. Settlement has also been delayed on account of the sickness of Mr. Tidd, the engineer on the construction of the works, also by advice of counsel, Messrs. Gaston and Snow. For further particulars of this case, see previous reports. We can give no other information when the case will be settled.

The last case that can come against the town, the time by law having passed that they can be brought up, is the case of George P. Niles and others. This was the privilege formerly owned by George White on Granite Street. Their claim against the three towns is for fifteen hundred (\$1500) dollars.

At a joint meeting of commissioners of Braintree, Holbrook and Randolph held in Braintree, it was voted to make them an offer of five hundred (\$500) dollars, and they were unanimous in their opinion that this was all they ought to receive.

Under section 6, chapter 217, of the acts of the legislature

for the year 1885, the town is required each year to raise by taxation a sum which, with the income derived from the water rates, will be sufficient to pay the current annual expense of operating its works. And the interest, as it accrues on the notes, bonds, or script issued under said act by said town, is to make such contributions to its sinking fund and payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of said act.

We have the next year the interest on an extra twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars and also payment towards sinking fund for the same.

The sinking fund at the present time is deposited in the safety deposit vaults in Boston and is invested as follows:—

Three (3) 4½ per cent Fitchburg Railroad bonds,	
\$1000 each (par value)	\$3,000 00
Twelve (12) town of Randolph 4 per cent bonds	12,000 00
Three (3) Old Colony R.R. 4 per cent reg'd bonds	3,000 00
One (1) Maine Central bond	500 00
One (1) town of Randolph note	3,575 00
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	\$22,075 00

Also cash in hands of treasurer (see treasurer's report).

The amounts due from the town to be paid on sinking fund and interest account are:

For sinking fund	\$3,575 00
Interest on \$145,000 bonds at 4 per cent	5,800 00
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	\$9,375 00

The Commissioners recommend an appropriation for the next year same as last year:

For sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on water loan	4,800 00
For hydrant and other service	2,000 00
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	\$10,375 00

During the last year \$20,000 of the bonds authorized under chapter 112 of the acts of the year 1892, and accepted by vote of the town, have been sold for \$20,406.67.

We now have on hand one bond (\$1000) of the act of 1888, chapter 138, and five bonds (\$1000) of the act of 1892, chapter 112, making a total of \$6000.

The receipts for the past year have been :

Town of Randolph \$1000 water bonds, 20 sold	\$20,406 67
Town of Randolph (hydrant, acct., appropriation)	2,000 00
Received for water rates	5,157 46
Received for service pipe	765 37
Received for sinking fund	3,575 00
Total	\$31,904 50

The following figures will show the amount received from water takers, and does not include the amount received for hydrants and service pipe. The figures are taken from previous reports.

1888	\$3,282 90
1889	3,794 16
1890	4,524 90
1891 (10 months)	3,172 22
1892	5,157 46

an increase from the first year of \$1974.56.

The water bonds are due as follows :—

April 1, 1897	\$10,000 00
April 1, 1902	10,000 00
April 1, 1907	20,000 00
April 1, 1912	20,000 00
April 1, 1917	40,000 00
May 1, 1918	20,000 00
July 1, 1922	25,000 00
Total	\$145,000 00

EXPENDITURES—MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

JOINT WORKS.

Paid E. J. Chadbourne, salary as Superintendent	\$1,200 00
E. J. Chadbourne, rent of stable 14 months to March 1, 1893	70 00
E. J. Chadbourne, bills, expenses and cash paid out	46 06
E. J. T. Dexter, salary as engineer at pump- ing station	800 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid out	1 00
D. B. White, coal	721 83
William M. Thompson, insurance	52 50
John Underhay, insurance	52 50
Seth Mann, 2d, insurance	52 50
James Fardy, labor and stock	23 05
Frank H. Langley, labor and stock	5 70
A. J. Gove, expressing, &c.	36 75
Gilchrist & Taylor, supplies	5 20
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies	50 13
Underhay Oil Co., oil	39 10
Perrin, Seaman & Co., cotton waste and supplies	56 97
Gilchrist & Taylor, supplies	10 62
Walter E. White, grain, &c.	145 64
John W. Porter, coal	526 14
W. D. Hatchfield, labor	1 00
S. W. Scofield, labor	20 15
Bailey & Hussey, supplies	1 90
White & Crooker, hay	90 36
Z. P. Jordan, carting manure to station and labor	7 00
J. F. Witherell, repairing harnesses, &c	19 00

Paid Barney Donovan, labor	\$18 00
Charles McCarty, blacksmith's bill	16 00
M. Murphy, blacksmith's bill	4 50
Robert McLennan, repair of harnesses, &c.	2 00
Waldo Bros., cement	6 65
Coffin Valve Co., valves	69 53
Dodge, Haley & Co., tools	49 00
Boston Belting Co., rubber valves	22 95
Hinckley Bros. & Co., supplies	9 12
Chapman Valve Co., wrench	35
J. E. Daniels, supplies	1 75
George H. Sampson, rend rock	2 25
C. J. Crowley, painting pump	89 00
S. B. Woodman, labor and material	15 25
E. J. Chadbourne, cash paid for sundry bills	18 43
E. J. Eaton, use of horse	45 00
Crosby Steam Gauge Co., repair gauges . .	2 25
Boston Bolt Co., bolts	75
Bay State Nickel Works, labor	1 00
American Steam Gauge Co., repair gauges .	1 75
Palmer, labor at station	10 00
Holly Manufacturing Co., supplies	11 78
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	\$4,432 41
One half ($\frac{1}{2}$) paid by each town	2,216 20 $\frac{1}{2}$
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Total	\$2,216 20 $\frac{1}{2}$

EXPENDITURES—CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

JOINT WORKS.

Paid F. A. Belcher, mats, &c., for station . .	\$58 06
M. M. Alden, labor and stock for station . .	232 95
C. A. Wales, labor and stock for station . .	58 06
Old Colony R.R. Co., freight	1 73

Paid Gilchrist & Taylor, supplies	\$70 73
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies	56 71
Union Meter Co., machine for lining pipe	50 00
Taunton Lumber Co., lumber for station	54 20
Walter E. White, supplies	19 29
Randolph & Cowles, brass for station	48 00
Coffin Valve Co., valve	10 00
Benedict & Burnham, brass rods	8 62
John E. Nickerson, stock, labor, painting, at station	34 02
George H. Sampson, rend rock	6 50
Builders Iron Foundry Co., plugs	10 64
Royal T. Mann, sods and labor at station	21 75
Pay-roll for year	419 27
George F. Blake Manufacturing Co., pump	5,256 43
S. B. Corliss, foundation for pump	317 71
James H. Nye, horse	175 00
Robert M. Morse, legal services in full	2,500 00
Asa P. French, legal services in full	1,300 00
Gaston & Whitney, legal services in full	2,000 00
Asa P. French, for witnesses and costs of court	1,834 46
Mill damages, suit in settlement	40,000 00
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	\$54,544 13
One half ($\frac{1}{2}$) paid by each town	27,272 06 $\frac{1}{2}$
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Total	\$27,272 06 $\frac{1}{2}$

CONSTRUCTION. — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Frank G. Bufford, printing water bonds	\$35 00
National Meter Co., water meters	29 30
L. J. Merrifield, labor	1 60
Sumner & Goodwin, pipe, &c.	61 25

Paid George Woodman Co., stop and wastes	\$50 50
Chadwick Lead Co., lead pipe	11 02
Boston Lead Co., lead and pipe	30 17
A. J. Gove, expressing, &c.	13 00
Gilchrist & Taylor, service pipe, &c.	625 91
C. A. Wales, soldering connections	41 52
Old Colony R.R. Co., freight	73 51
Pay-roll for year ending December, 1892	473 00
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	\$1,445 78

Cr.

Received from service pipe account	765 37
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Total	\$680 41

MAINTENANCE. — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid E. J. Chadbourne, bills paid	\$15 86
W. F. Goldsmith, office rent for 30 months to July 10, 1892	212 52
C. A. Wales, for services as water commis- sioner for year ending April 1, 1892	50 00
D. B. White, for services as water commis- sioner for year ending April 1, 1892	50 00
J. White Belcher, for services as chairman of water commissioners, attending super- ior court during trial water cases, expen- ses and cash paid for year ending April 1, 1892	200 00
Burke & Hurley, painting hydrants	15 47
James Fardy, labor and stock	12 13
Waldo Bros., cement	6 10
Frank H. Langley, labor	2 08
A. J. Gove, expressing	3 00
Walter M. Howard, damage to team	5 85
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	\$573 01

PAID IN HOLBROOK BILLS.

Chapman Valve Co., screws	\$ 24	
Pay-roll	1 85 —	2 09
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		\$575 10

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Bills paid by Randolph Joint Construction	\$26,942 60
Bills paid by Randolph Joint Maintenance	3,067 09
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Total	\$30,009 69
Bills paid by Holbrook Joint Construction	\$27,160 51
Bills paid by Holbrook Joint Maintenance	1,806 34
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Total	\$28,966 85
Randolph	\$30,009 69
Holbrook	28,966 85
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	\$1,042 84
One-half to be paid by each town	521 42
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	\$521 42
Less paid for Randolph maintenance account in Holbrook bills	2 09
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Balance due from Holbrook and paid (see treasurer's report)	\$519 33
Randolph $\frac{1}{2}$ Joint Maintenance Account	\$2,216 20 $\frac{1}{2}$
Randolph $\frac{1}{2}$ Joint Construction Account	27,272 06 $\frac{1}{2}$
Randolph Construction Account	1,445 78
Randolph Maintenance Account	575 10
Randolph Interest Account	4,800 00
Balance due from Holbrook	519 33
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Total	\$36,828 48

Orders drawn on Treasurer (see treasurer's report) Nos. 484 to 561 \$36,828 48

The question is often asked what the earnings of the works are, in these accounts we have charged everything that was permanent to the construction account, and expenses of running the works in maintenance account (see figures in report).

Received from water rates	\$5,157 46	
Received from town for public uses	2,000 00	
	<u> </u>	\$7,157 46
By $\frac{1}{2}$ joint maintenance account	\$2,216 20 $\frac{1}{2}$	
By Randolph maintenance account	575 10	
	<u> </u>	\$2,791 30 $\frac{1}{2}$
Net earnings		<u> </u> \$5,366 15 $\frac{1}{2}$

The actual standing of the works at present is—

Dr.

To \$139,000 water bonds sold	\$139,000 00
Amount due J. T. Langford, unknown.	
Amount due George P. Niles and others, unknown.	
	\$139,000 00

Cr.

By six \$1000 water bonds, unsold	\$6,000 00
By amount in sinking fund (see treasurer's report)	\$23,000 09
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	\$29,000 09
Amount due	\$109,999 91
with amount due on above suits.	

During the past year the mains have been extended, by request of Rev. James J. Keegan, on North street to supply water to St. Mary's Cemetery, as voted by the town.

Also on same street to supply the greenhouse of Edwin Arnold.

We have been requested to continue the same to supply Central Cemetery by the directors of the same.

It is necessary that this pipe should be carried to the junction of Liberty street, as we would then be able to carry the water to stand-pipe in case of a break on Main street between West street and Liberty street, as it is the only outlet that we would have. We have enough pipe now on hand to do this work.

We come now to another portion of the town, where they have waited patiently without water for a number of years — Tower Hill — *one of the most unprotected parts of the town in case of fire*, and where through the last dry season they suffered severely for the same, and we would recommend that the pipes be extended there the next year. The pipes are already laid to the schoolhouse on Lafayette street.

The reason why this has not been done is that the commissioners did not wish to take the responsibility of the same until the lawsuits were settled. The cost would be about \$4000, and we think if the town would instruct the commissioners that, with the money from extra receipts of water works, they could in some way go on with this work in the spring.

In closing, we would refer for other information in regard to standpipes, hydrants, &c., to the report of Superintendent; and that we have a good, pure and simple supply of water, good works and one of the greatest blessings that the town of Randolph ever received and of untold value.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners of Randolph.

Randolph, January 24, 1893.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, hereby report that they have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOS. A. KENNEDY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

RANDOLPH WATER WORKS *in account with* HIRAM C. ALDEN,
TREASURER.

1892.	Dr.	
Balance		\$3,544 90
Received of E. J. Chadbourne, Superintendent, for		
water rates and pipe		5,922 77
Received for interest on water bonds		4,800 00
Received for water for hydrants		2,000 00
Received for water bonds issued		20,406 67
Received of town of Holbrook, balance account 1891, 133 55		
Received of town of Holbrook, balance account 1892, 519 33		
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		\$37,327 22
	Cr.	
Paid sundry orders		\$36,828 48
for box safe deposit vaults		10 00
Balance		488 74
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		\$37,327 22

RANDOLPH, January 24, 1893.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Hiram C. Alden, as Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and found the same correct and the balance as stated above to be on deposit in the Randolph National Bank.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

Balance	\$188 35
Received for coupons on Fitchburg R.R. bonds	135 00
Received for Old Colony registered, interest .	60 00
Received from Randolph Savings Bank, interest	12 04
Received from coupons on Randolph bonds .	500 00
Received of town of Randolph, amount voted to sinking fund	3,575 00
Received from Maine Central R.R.	30 00
	<hr/> \$4,500 39

Loan to town of Randolph	\$3,575 00
Deposited in Randolph Savings Bank	925 39
	<hr/> \$4,500 39

RANDOLPH, January 26, 1893.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have examined the sinking fund statement of Hirman C. Alden, Treasurer, and find the same correct.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

Report of Superintendent.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph Water Works:

Gentlemen,—The Superintendent of Randolph and Holbrook Water Works submits to you his sixth annual report, covering the operation of his department for the year ending December 31, 1892.

PUMPING STATION

Is in first-class condition. A new hard wood floor has been laid, and other necessary work completed. Station and machinery are a credit to Randolph and Holbrook Water Works.

Condition of pumps and boilers will refer you to the reports of Engineer Dexter and The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, respectively:

PUMPING STATION, RANDOLPH.

E. J. CHADBOURNE, *Superintendent:*

Sir,—I would report the machinery at the pumping station in good condition. The remaining check valve outside the building should be replaced with a new one, or a valve making the same we made with check No. 1 last fall.

The following table shows the work for each month:—

DATE.	BLAKE PUMP.		GASKELL PUMP.		Total Water Pumped.	Daily average water pum'd.	Total coal burned	Daily av'ge coal bur'd
	Pum'g time.	Water pumped.	Pum'g time.	Water pumped.				
1892.	<i>H. M.</i>	<i>Gallons.</i>	<i>H. M.</i>	<i>Gallons.</i>	<i>Gallons.</i>	<i>Gals.</i>	<i>Pounds.</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>
January .	80 50	4,585,056	20 00	1,435,672	6,020,628	194,214	43,956	1418
February .	91 41	4,714,780	27 00	2,048,728	6,163,508	212,604	47,021	1552
March . .	71 00	4,498,732	58 30	2,811,514	7,310,246	235,814	47,820	1542
April . . .	92 25	5,816,188	3 30	235,786	6,051,974	201,732	41,482	1382
May . . .	99 05	5,763,212	3 30	412,796	6,176,008	199,226	40,907	1319
June . . .	37 30	2,276,680	101 30	6,552,780	8,829,460	294,246	53,007	1766
July . . .	37 45	1,730,936	132 15	9,484,264	11,215,200	361,780	68,996	2225
August . .	49 00	3,174,388	107 25	7,703,934	10,878,322	356,913	65,740	2120
September .	58 00	3,846,668	58 00	3,972,712	7,819,380	260,646	51,279	1709
October . .	102 50	6,672,596	10 30	716,410	6,389,006	206,097	46,833	1510
November .	83 30	5,458,076	29 00	2,092,004	7,550,080	251,609	48,976	1632
December .	118 30	6,689,844	26 00	1,817,840	8,507,684	274,441	56,350	1720
Total . .	922 10	55,227,156	577 10	39,302,840	94,529,996	258,278	612,367	1673
Increase on last year					7,421,960		56,660	

Number of gallons pumped per pound of coal, 154.

Respectfully,

E. J. T. DEXTER,

Engineer.

To Randolph and Holbrook Water Works:

H. T. BOILER, No. 2.

This certifies that your steam boiler was externally examined on the twenty-sixth day of October, 1892.

The safety-valve worked freely and was loaded to 74 pounds per square inch. The steam-gauge was correct. Pressure observed, 55 pounds. The guage-cocks were clear. Other attachments in good order. General condition, care, and management, good.

Sixteenth day of December, 1892.

H. T. BOILER, No. 1.

Internally:

All parts of this boiler are extremely clean, there being no scales or incrustation on any part except a narrow strip of this incrustation on the front head just above the water line. There was no sediment on bottom of shell. All parts

were free from corrosion or other defects, and braces were taut and sound.

Externally :

The shell-plates were sound, and seams, tube ends and flanges were free from leaks, fractures, or corrosions. Appliances were in working order. The steam-gauge was tested and found correct. The brickwork was in very good condition.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS,

Manager.

I would recommend the painting of the outside of dwelling house and coal sheds the coming spring.

The grounds about the station have been improved by the addition of loam, resodding terraces and improving walks and drives. The planting of trees and vines should receive more attention this coming spring. We cordially invite our town people to visit and inspect this most beautiful part of our plant.

GREAT POND.

We have known no scarcity of water the past year and there is no possibility that we ever shall. The quality is excellent and its purity is unquestioned. In September the flash-boards at the dam were removed and water lowered so that reeds and water-grass could be moved. Several tons were removed from the water and shore and burned. This very important work should be continued each coming year.

STAND-PIPES.

No repairs have been required the past year. The paint is in a fairly good condition ; still, as a matter of economy both stand-pipes should be painted inside and out early the coming spring. The Holbrook lot was mowed and one ton of hay secured. The Randolph lot received considerable

attention in the way of getting out rock, and will require a few days' labor to grade and seed to grass.

WATER MAINS.

Six hundred thirty-eight feet of 6-inch pipe were laid in North street, that water could be introduced into St. Mary's Cemetery and for Arnold's greenhouses. It is hoped the coming year this line will be continued and connected at Liberty Street. It would give us an additional pumping main and make one less dead end. Other extensions are called for and are much needed. June 29, a bad leak was discovered in one 14-inch pumping main located in "Mann's Meadows." The pipe where the leak occurred is covered twelve feet; owing to the large amount of water in the ground and coming from the pipe, made excavation and repairs exceedingly slow. A few joint leaks have been found and were repaired without shutting off the water. The mains are in good condition.

FIRE HYDRANTS.

One hydrant was added the past year, making 130 in Randolph. One hydrant was taken out and repaired. All hydrants were open the first of December and put in condition for the winter, and it is believed that they are all in working order.

METERS.

I am pleased to report that we have three meters now in use and in a few days shall have as many more connected to our services. There is no longer doubt that this is a move in the right direction.

The old hap-hazard method of selling water by guess is fast going, and the more equitable system of measuring is coming in general use. I would earnestly recommend the use of metres for factories, greenhouses, stables where more than three horses are stabled, and in fact all places where it is known that a reckless waste of water is practised.

SERVICE PIPES.

The past year we made 41 taps, laying 2691.4 feet. No repairs have been required. We are now supplying—

552 families,
 1 hotel,
 4 schoolhouses,
 1 bank,
 1 depot,
 14 stores and offices,
 2 meat markets,
 1 fish market,
 1 bakery,
 1 laundry,
 8 boilers,
 7 greenhouses,
 3 public stables,
 25 private stables,
 1 motor,
 2 barber shops,
 5 drinking fountains and troughs.

RECEIPTS ON ACCOUNT OF WATER AND SERVICE PIPE
 ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

Cash from water	\$5,185 60
Cash from service pipe and junk	765 37
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	\$5,950 00
Cash to H. C. Alden, Treasurer	\$5,922 77
Cash refunded	28 00
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	\$5,950 97

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. CHADBOURNE,

Superintendent.

DR. TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT WITH
1892.

Paid town order of 1891	\$ 6 25
Town orders of 1892, Nos. 1 to 939, inclusive	52,171 68
Sundry treasury notes	20,755 83
Interest on treasury notes	2,085 90
Interest on water bonds	4,950 00
Water Commissioners, amount of water bonds issued	20,406 67
State Treasurer :	
State tax	\$1,907 50
Bank tax	3,516 79
Bank tax	53 06
Liquor license	50
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	5,477 85
County Treasurer, county tax	2,331 91
Sundry expenses :	
H. C. Alden, Treasurer	\$300 00
H. C. Alden, town clerk, births, marriages	
and deaths, 1891	62 90
H. C. Alden, town clerk, ballot clerk, 1891-92	20 00
Stamps \$6.00; P. O. box, 50c.; record books, \$2.75	9 25
J. D. Sheridan, returning births	25
A. L. Chase, returning births	3 00
T. T. Cushman, returning births	25
W. M. Babbitt, returning births	75
C. C. Farnham, returning births	75
—— Linfield, returning births	25
F. C. Granger, returning births	9 25
Ralph Houghton, returning deaths	21 00
Police officers, East Norfolk district, fees of court as per order, E. F. Knight	213 85
T. Farrell	166 12
F. F. Porter	3 00
F. J. Donahoe	42 08
F. W. Vye	48 19
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	900 89
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	\$115,086 98
Balance	14,353 52
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	\$129,440 50
Balance :	
Due from F. M. French, Tax Collector	\$11,995 26
Cash	2,358 26
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	\$14,353 52

HIRAM C. ALDEN, TREASURER.

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1892.

Balance		\$16,057 03	
Received bank dividends		80 00	
for treasury notes		30,130 83	
for interest on taxes, 1891		540 00	
for interest and premium on bonds		406 67	
from the Selectmen, sundry accounts		1,543 92	
for liquor licenses		4 00	
for auctioneer licenses		4 00	
for pool tables		6 00	
for water bonds		20,000 00	
for interest on water bonds		4,800 00	
from State Treasurer, corporation			
tax	4,317 14 49 17	4,346 31	
Bank tax	3,096 06 6 43	3,102 49	
State aid		1,919 00	
Military aid		635 00	
State school fund		134 56	
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from Thomas Dolan, poll taxes, 1890		4 00	
for Braintree records		2 24	
from county treasurer, dog licenses		474 78	
from city of Quincy, pauper account		6 85	
from city of Chelsea, pauper account		6 00	
from city of Taunton, pauper account		86 00	
from town of Weymouth, pauper account		92 70	
from town of Holbrook, pauper and military, 1891		\$912 53	
from town of Holbrook, pauper and military, 1892		931 45	
		<hr/>	1,843 98
from East Norfolk District Court fines		9 29	
tax bill, 1892		43,204 85	
		<hr/>	\$129,440 50

STATE OF THE TREASURY.

1893.	Dr.	
Treasury notes		\$47,075 00
Water bonds		139,00 00
Interest due on water bonds		1,600 00
Interest due on treasury notes		1,150 00
Due Fire Department		1,500 00
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		\$190,325 00
	Cr.	
Coddington Fund :		
Bank stock	\$2,000 00	
Salt marsh (Quincy)	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,300 00
Due from F. M. French, Tax Collector, on		
account of taxes of 1892		11,995 26
Due for state aid		2,137 00
Due for military aid		758 00
Due from other towns		176 00
Amount of sinking fund		23,000 39
Cash		2,358 26
Balance		147,760 09
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		\$190,325 00

RANDOLPH, January 24, 1893.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M F. CUNNINGHAM,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
Auditors.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1892.

DATE.	NAMES.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1892.		
Jan. 12,	William F. McAuliff	William and Katie—Wall
14,	Alden Waite Howard	Frederick S. and Mary—Alden
7,	Mary Linnehan	Nicolas and Mary E.—Casey
19,	— Devine	Martin and Catherine—Noonan
28,	— Lord	William H. and Mabel—Lawrence
12,	— Mansfield	Francis J. and Etta M.—Beyett
29,	— Elliott	George A. and Sybil A.—DeCosta
19,	Mary Curran	John M. and Elizabeth A.—Lyons
Feb. 28,	Mark B. Hagar	Clarence L. and Anna S.—Dickey
14,	Henry Kennedy	Nicholas and Margaret—Rooney
9,	Charles Smith	Martin F. and Mary E.—Callahan
15,	Caroline McDonald	James B. and Henrietta—Shay
23,	Arthur Hagney	Arthur and Mary E.—Kiley
17,	James Madigan	Patrick E. and Ellen—Scanlon
1,	Dora Alice Daly	William and Anna—Leslie
14,	Mary Lyons	John and Mary A.—Flanagan
Mar. 9,	Margaret O'Brien	William P. and Joanna—Barry
13,	Alice Mulligan	Luke F. and Bridget—Harty
19,	Asmos P. C. Larson	Peter and Marion—Twelson
16,	Ernest R. Baker	M. Wales and Emma—Fritts
8,	John A. E. Livermore	Charles H. and Lulu A.—Cate
25,	Mary K. McMahon	George H. and Margaret—Daly
April 17,	Catherine J. McDonald	Hugh and Nora—Harty
20,	John Brady	John P. and Francis—Powderly
21,	Helen Long	Edward and Anna—Prior
4,	— Sloan	Charles V. and Emily A.—Mann
24,	— Stickney	Charles and Lizzie —Meany
9,	— Moore	Bernard and Hannah—Dooley
26,	Willie Schmidt	Charles and Lena—Hillberg
May 3,	John R. Willard	John K. and Grace F.—Wilde
11,	Walter Keith	Richard F. and Susan—Dench
4,	William F. Whidden	William E. and Anna M.—McAuley
24,	Carleton Hatchfield	William D. and Lillian P.—Carter
1,	— Copeland	Marcus M. and Urna C.—Alden
June 15,	Mary C. Murray	Thomas and Margaret T.—Carroll
23,	Carroll Bump	Charles E. and Lizzie M.—Bridges
10,	Clarence L. Poole	John H. and Sarah A.—Wentworth
8,	Sarah F. Eddy	Benjamin F. and Lora E.—Hall
15,	— Eaton	Frank E. and Ann—Sanford
July 28,	Robert Kelliher	Dennis and Rose H.—Riley
10,	Catherine Meany	James H. and Lizzie J. McKay
5,	Geraldine Kennedy	Thomas A. and May J.—Gibbons
14,	Effie O. Daniels	Aaron O. and Clara—Darling
22,	— Young	Eddy C. and Maria—Corliss

DATE.	NAMES,	NAMES OF PARENTS,
Aug. 25,	Gertrude McMahon	Edward J. and Rose—Roddan
24,	Frederick McAuliff	Richard J. and Kate—Dempsey
14,	James M. Manning	John J. and Lizzie M.—Green
26,	John F. Walsh	Thomas and Lizzie—Patten
20,	—— Poole	Allen A. and Fanny—Runnels
Sept. 9,	William P. McHugh	Daniel E. and Nellie M.—Cunningham
18,	Elizabeth Holden	Michael and Alice—Burke
7,	Reah B. Hogan	William J. and Hannah—Allard
26,	George M. Hollis	Henry and Ellen—Eddy
1,	—— Peterson	Charles and Anna—Swanson
27,	—— Harmon	Samuel M. and Lilla—Waldron
4,	Ellen H. Anderson	Augustus and Emma—Spry
Oct. 13,	Ellen B. Henderson	Duncan and Margaret—McKennon
4,	Patrick Gill	John F. and Julia—Mulligan
12,	Ellis H. Mann	Edwin M. and Jennie H.—Taber
3,	Ellen C. Dooley	Frank E. and Mary—Flynn
7,	Chester L. Bradley	Seth D. and Abby—Drury
13,	—— Reveire	Charles H. and Alice C. G.—Moore
Nov. 23,	—— Leahy	Joseph T. and Sarah—Farquhar
29,	Margaret T. Dench	Edward B. and Theresa C.—Kinsley
18,	Michael J. O'Neil	Bartholemew and Hannah—Mahoney
16,	Lillian H. Wentworth	Frank E. and Henrietta—Ela
10,	Willie Tierney	Michael and Katie—Tobin
16,	Anna R. B. Cunningham	David and Adelia—Willins
6,	Henry E. Reynolds, 2d	Orrin E. and Ellen—Stetson
——	Carroll	William J. and Mary J.—Hanley
Dec. 25,	Walter E. DeForrest	B. K. and Emma L.—Dyer
15,	Charles G. Devine	Edward and Mary—Flaherty
21,	Esther Farrell	Thomas and Ellen A.—Flynn
14,	—— Mann	Moses F. and Julia—Delano
26,	Floretta L. Bowerman	Louis and Flora—Everett
29,	Geneva Deane	Patrick H. and Lizzie F.—Coakly
16,	—— Jones	James M. and Sarah M.—Whitten

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1892.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
1892.			
Jan. 6,	Thomas P. Hendricks . . . Annie L. Lyons . . .	Brockton . . . Randolph . . .	32 27
21,	Joseph T. Leahy . . . Sarah A. Farquhar . . .	Randolph . . . Randolph . . .	24 26
28,	Thomas Farrell . . . Ellen A. Flynn . . .	Randolph . . . Waltham . . .	43 28
Feb. 22,	Charles A. Clay . . . Alice B. Packard . . .	Stoughton . . . Holbrook . . .	34 20
28,	Royal T. King . . . Abbie M. Linfield (Leonard) (Dean)	Randolph . . . Randolph . . .	56 64
March 1,	Michael Stanton . . . Ellen Deady . . .	Randolph . . . Randolph . . .	38 38
April 2,	Charles A. Hollis . . . Alice L. Drew . . .	Brockton . . . Brockton . . .	21 17
4,	George May . . . Annie T. Packard . . .	Boston . . . Randolph . . .	40 27
10,	Robert Dickey . . . Betsey S. Thayer (Thayer)	Randolph . . . Randolph . . .	69 73
17,	William R. Panting . . . Maria V. Lothrop . . .	Randolph . . . Ironton, Ohio . . .	23 22
May 11,	Henry McDermot . . . Frances T. McGaughey . . .	Easton . . . Randolph . . .	34 26
29,	Daniel J. McGerigle . . . Annie Hickey . . .	Randolph . . . Weymouth . . .	26 29
June 2,	Charles V. Sloane . . . Emily A. Mann . . .	Randolph . . . Randolph . . .	37 27
8,	Richard F. Leonard . . . Annie M. Brady . . .	Boston . . . Randolph . . .	26 26
15,	Henry Alton Hollis . . . Jennie Elwood Brown . . .	Randolph . . . Holbrook . . .	18 16

DATE.	NAME,	RESIDENCE,	AGE.
June 16,	William Cunningham . . .	Randolph	31
	Katie J. Barry	Randolph	24
20,	James W. Steere	Dallas, Texas	47
	Mary C. Reynolds (Allen)	Randolph	38
July 6,	Charles D. Baker	Randolph	21
	Josie F. Walbridge	Allston, Brighton	25
Aug. 3,	Edward A. Powderly	Randolph	30
	Sarah J. McGaughey	Randolph	27
31,	Lester S. Holbrook	Randolph	23
	Fanny E. Belcher	Holbrook	22
Sept 15.	Richard Meany	Randolph	24
	Nellie F. Grady	Randolph	23
14,	Charles M. Reviere	Braintree	20
	Alice C. G. Moore	Randolph	20
Oct. 19,	James H. Newton	Boston	24
	Minnie J. Harris	Randolph	25
18,	Edward S. Taylor	Quincy	23
	Mary E. Holbrook	Randolph	22
12,	Charles W. Restarick	Randolph	28
	Grace F. Dunham	Boston	21
19,	Patrick Fahey	Boston	38
	Sarah J. Quinn	Randolph	38
Nov. 8,	Chester A. Niles	Randolph	25
	Luetta Randall	N. Abington	23
16,	William Milligan	Cambridge	41
	Effie F. Croak	Randolph	25
16,	James W. McCarty	Avon	30
	Hannah J. Good	Randolph	26
22,	William B. Mason	Brockton	27
	Clara W. Belcher	Randolph	22
24,	Jeremiah J. Desmond	Randolph	29
	Maria L. Whitty	Randolph	26
24,	Michael M. Sullivan	Randolph	29
	Mary E. McGerigle	Randolph	28

DATE.	NAMES,	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Dec. 8,	Louis DeCota . . .	Holbrook . . .	32
	Mary Welch . . .	Randolph . . .	22
21,	Charles H. Curtis . .	Bridgewater . .	18
	Avis Wales Perry . .	Randolph . . .	19
31,	Edwin O. Marston . .	Boston . . .	34
	Lizzie E. Pratt . . .	Randolph . . .	30

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1892.

DATE,	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1892,		Y. M. D.	
Jan. 3,	Catherine T. Hogan (McMahon)	55 11 6	Pneumonia
6,	Joseph Mahar	63 6 26	Morbus cordis
6,	Thomas F. English	40 2 6	Phthisis
6,	Thomas Madigan	1 5 6	Cerebral convulsions
10,	Mary Barry (Cogan)	87 10 6	Heart disease
11,	Naomi Mann (Mann)	87 5	Old age
12,	Isaac Thayer	86 5 7	Old age
12,	Ellen R. DuBois (Tucker)	83 11 16	Old age
13,	John Mahoney	59 9	Cirrhosis liver
14,	Joseph Carroll	1 8 20	Pneumonitis
17,	Patrick Bohan	65 10 13	Influenza, heart failure
18,	Eliza Meyers (Mann)	72	Old age
18,	Bernard Wren, V.S.	72	Paralysis
19,	Ruth Howard (Mann) (Howard)	82 7 26	Old age
18,	Ellen Barry	12 7 14	Phthisis pulmonalis
20,	— Devine	1	Asphyxia
23,	Elisha Mann	88 9 23	Old age
26,	Hannah M. Paine	58 11 9	Influenza
25,	Eunice J. Thayer	45 5	Pneumonia
Feb. 2,	Jane Mann	68 5 11	Locomotor ataxia
4,	Bridget Mahady	70	Acute cap'y bronchitis
9,	Alice (Cavana) (English) Dench	61	Chronic asthma
18,	Margaret F. Hand (Rooney)	36 5	Phthisis, heart failure
29,	Fannie E. English (Hogan)	33 7 24	Consumption
Mar. 21,	Joseph Sutton	8 21	Cerebral convulsions
24,	John J. Sheridan	24 5	Heart failure
25,	Ann O'Flaherty (Early)	74	Heart disease
26,	Anastasia Colbret (O'Hearn)	80	Mortification, bed sore
31,	Lemira B. Leeds (Billings)	91 9 14	Old age
April 3,	Nellie J. Manning	2 4 9	Malignant scarlatina
3,	Edward J. Hurley	11 22	Cerebral abscess
5,	Joseph H. Foley	21 7 28	Consumption, heart compl'ns
9,	— Moore	1	Premature birth
12,	Clara A. Wood	2 1 4	Croupal diphtheria
12,	Danforth Clark	86 8 14	Old age
28,	Michael McLaughlan V.S.	68 4 6	Pneumonitis
May 10,	James N. Bullock	62 5 10	Heart disease
12,	Sarah J. Pollock	56 1 26	Angina pectoris
13,	Eunice A. Fernald (French)	66 8 17	Cancer in breast
16,	Ann E. Moulton (Thayer)	74 11 15	Hydrothorax
30,	William Smith	19	Congenital malfor'tion
17,	Helen Long	26	Meningitis
21,	Bartholomew Kenny	75	Bronchitis

DATE.	NAME,	AGE,	DISEASE,
May 25,	Rachael J. Sullivan (Sweeney)	23 8 26	Phthisis
28,	Mary J. Carroll	33 1 19	Phthisis pulmonalis
June 4,	William A. Kimball	44 9 1	Consumption
10,	Charles A. Hollis	32 8 22	Acute mania
19,	Deborah M. Jones (Mann)	80	Heart disease
19,	Abby T. Howe (King)	71 1 16	Exhaustion effect of acc't
19,	James McMahon	60 10	Epileptic fit
26,	Thomas C. Welsh, Jr.	1 5	Meningitis
July 21,	Mary Forrest	40 4	Heart disease
21,	——— Young		1 Premature birth
26,	Elizabeth Busby (Justice)	78	Old age
26,	Susie E. Morrill	2	Cholera infantum
27,	Mary Curran	6 8	Acute meningitis
27,	John Dore	60	Probably heart disease
14,	Ann Dunn (Coughlin)	85	Apoplexy
Aug. 22,	Rasmus P. Larson	5 3	Marasmus
17,	Emery A. Delano	34 5 25	Consumption
13,	Edward O'Flaherty	2 5 11	Cholera infantum
13,	Charles A. French	81 2 24	Apoplexy
4,	Elizabeth Baker	88	Old age
2,	Albert M. Tabor	64 7	Heart disease
Sept. 1,	Honora E. Howard (Barry)	32 10	Appendicitis
5,	Mary Sullivan	10 14	Cholera infantum
5,	Anna A. Thayer	56 8 28	Insanity
6,	Henry D. Holbrook, V.S.	77 5	Old age
12,	J. Israel Beyett	47 22	Peritonitis
18,	Jeremiah Mahony	70 6	Senility
51,	Rebecca M. Stanley (McCrea)	65 10	Hypertrophy of heart
26,	John Welch	1 3	Marasmus
Oct. 7,	Marcella Gill (Fagan)	66	Cerebral hemorrhage
16,	Edward P. Roddan	22 10 27	Phthisis pulmonalis
17,	Ephraim F. Belcher	68 11 13	Hypertrophy of heart
26,	Frederick L. Reilly	1 3 15	Cerebro spinal menitis
28,	Lydia A. Dyer (Hayden)	40	Epilepsy
Nov. 3,	John Restarick	65 7 27	Sceptic peritonitis
11,	Frank Cullen	78 3	Chronic bronchitis
13,	George W. Shedd	43	Pneumonia
16,	——— Leahy		1 Premature birth
16,	——— Carroll		1 Premature birth
23,	Margarite G. Foley	4 9 2	Acute meningitis
Dec. 10,	Jackson Belcher	77 7 26	Nervous exhaustion
21,	——— Jones		5 Inanition
21,	——— Reviere		1 Premature birth
29,	Joanna Desmond	80	Chronic rheumatism

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Morbus cordis, cirrhosis of liver, paralysis, asphyxia, chronic asthma, heart failure, mortification, malignant scarlatina, cerebral abscess, croupal diphtheria, angina pectoris, cancer, hydrothorax, congenital malformation, acute mania, exhaustion, epileptic fit, senility, cerebral hemorrhage, appendicitis, insanity, epilepsy, nervous exhaustion, chronic rheumatism, 1 each.

Cerebral convulsions, pneumonitis, influenza, apoplexy, marasmus, peritonitis, hypertrophy of heart, 2 each,

Pneumonia, phthisis, phthisis pulmonalis, bronchitis, cholera infantum, 3 each.

Consumption	4
Premature birth	5
Meningitis	5
Heart disease	7
Old age	11
Under 5 years of age	21
Between 5 and 10	0
10 and 20	1
20 and 30	4
30 and 40	6
40 and 50	7
50 and 60	5
60 and 70	14
70 and 80	13
80 and 90	12
90 and 100	1

HIRAM C. ALDEN,

Town Clerk.

Any person interested in the above recorded births, marriages or deaths perceiving any error, by notifying the town clerk they will be corrected

HIRAM C. ALDEN,

Town Clerk.

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FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, SUPERIN-
TENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE
DEPARTMENT, SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS,
AND TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

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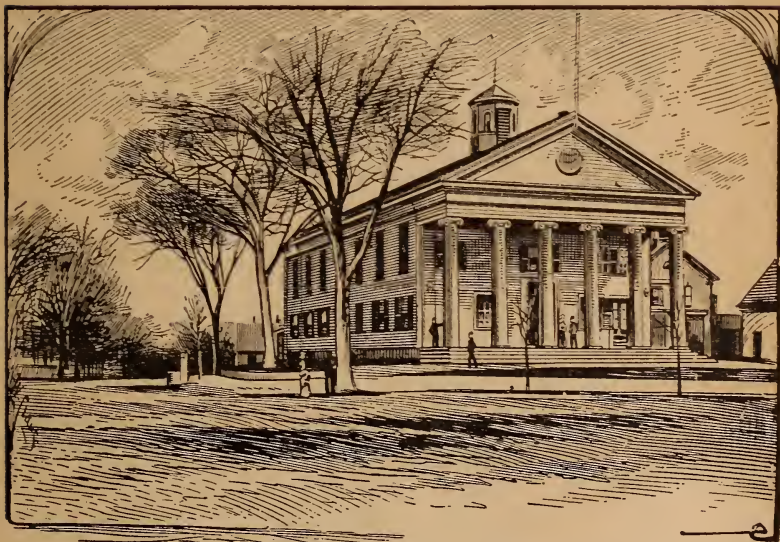
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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1893-94.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

PETER B. HAND. PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN . . .	Term expires 1894.
THOMAS DOLAN . . .	Term expires 1895.
ASA P. FRENCH . . .	Term expires 1896.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN . . .	Term expires 1894.
JOHN B. WREN . . .	Term expires 1895.
ASA P. FRENCH . . .	Term expires 1896.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

DANIEL B. WHITE . . .	Term expires 1894.
PETER B. HAND . . .	Term expires 1895.
CHARLES A. WALES . . .	Term expires 1896.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY. THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT.	THOMAS FARRELL.	MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.
FRED. W. VYE.	LINCOLN STETSON.	RICHARD MEANEY.
FRANK J DONAHOE.		

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

JAMES RILEY. JOSEPH T. LEAHY. JAMES H. WALES.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY. HERBERT W. PRATT. JAMES F. SULLIVAN.
HIRAM C. ALDEN.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*. JOHN HANEY.
DANIEL J. BRENNAN. CORNELIUS DESMOND.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

JAMES RILEY.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

COLIN BOYD.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT.

NEWELL D. ATWOOD,	CHAS. H. HARTSHORN,
OF STOUGHTON.	OF WALPOLE.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1893.

TAXABLE VALUATION MAY 1, 1893.

Real estate	\$1,563,625 00
Personal estate	471,890 00
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	\$2,035,515 00

Rate of taxation May 1, 1893, \$17.40 on \$1000.

Population Census of 1890	3946
Number of polls May 1, 1893	1151
horses May 1, 1893	336
cows May 1, 1893	231
acres of land taxed May 1, 1893	5733
dwellings	831

APPROPRIATIONS

AS VOTED BY THE TOWN; ALSO COUNTY AND STATE TAX.

	Reappropriation.	Appropriation.
For schools	\$126 36	\$8,226 00
Stetson High School		2,200 00
highways	29 17	3,470 83
paving		500 00
removing snow	63 21	536 79

For miscellaneous	\$79 12	\$1,920 88
poor in almshouse		1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	246 19	3,553 81
soldiers' relief	55 85	144 15
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	54 83	945 17
military aid		300 00
town officers		2,100 00
fire department		2,290 00
decoration of soldiers' graves . .		100 00
sinking fund, water loan . .		3,575 00
interest on water loan		4,800 00
water for hydrants, etc. . . .		2,000 00
bounties for soldiers		400 00
sidewalk, Union Street		300 00
sidewalk, Mill Street		100 00
West Street widening		200 00
care of clocks		50 00
pay of physicians	95 72	304 28
County tax		2,331 91
State tax		2,725 00
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	\$750 45	\$44,873 82
Appropriations	\$44,873 82	
Reappropriations	750 45	
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Total	\$45,624 27	

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY
THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1893.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	10,500 00
Three fire engine houses and lockup	4,200 00

One Babcock engine and apparatus	\$800 00
One hearse	100 00
Ten acres salt marsh	300 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Eight shares Randolph National Bank	1,440 00
Turner school fund, par value	1,500 00
Stetson school fund, par value	10,600 00
Turner Free Library building and land	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Water Works	145,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,800 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$46,148.17 :

On account of schools	\$8,691 75
Stetson High School	2,375 20
poor out of almshouse	3,617 81
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	1,411 47
soldiers' relief	152 05
poor in almshouse	2,577 28
poor of other towns	445 00
State paupers and tramps	287 55
miscellaneous expenses	2,009 84

On account of fire department	\$2,510 30
State aid	2,275 00
military aid	286 00
water for hydrants, public bldgs, etc.	2,000 00
sinking fund, water loan	3,575 00
interest on water loan	4,800 00
repair of highways	3,564 14
paving	526 06
removing snow	879 69
town officers	2,115 00
bounties	400 00
decoration of soldiers' graves . .	100 00
West Street widening	218 50
sidewalk, Mill Street	100 00
sidewalk, Union Street	519 03
repair of clocks	50 00
street lighting	140 00
medical attendance	319 00
attending funerals	202 50
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	\$46,148 17

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools	\$8,352 36	\$8,691 75
Stetson High School	2,200 00	2,375 20
Poor out of almshouse	3,800 00	3,617 81
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	1,000 00	1,411 47
Soldiers' relief	200 00	152 05
Poor in almshouse	1,800 00	2,577 28
Poor of other towns		445 00
State paupers and tramps		287 55
Miscellaneous expenses	2,000 00	2,009 84
Fire department	2,290 00	2,510 30

For State aid, paid by State . . .		\$2,275 00
Military aid, $\frac{1}{2}$ paid by State . .	\$300 00	286 00
Water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00	2,000 00
Sinking fund, water loan	3,575 00	3,575 00
Interest on water loan	4,800 00	4,800 00
Repairs of highways	3,500 00	3,564 14
Paving	500 00	526 06
Removing snow	600 00	879 69
Town officers	2,100 00	2,115 00
Bounties	400 00	400 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves . .	100 00	100 00
West Street widening	200 00	218 50
Sidewalk Mill Street	100 00	100 00
Sidewalk Union Street	300 00	519 03
Repairs and care of clocks	50 00	50 00
Street lighting		140 00
Medical attendance	400 00	319 00
Attending funerals		202 50
County tax		2,331 91
State tax		2,725 00

REPAIR OF HIGHWAYS.

The work upon the highways has been under the direction of James Riley, Superintendent of Streets.

The expense of building a sidewalk on the northerly side of Union Street exceeded the appropriation, for the reason that when the sum appropriated had been expended, to have discontinued the work would have left the street in an unsafe condition for travel, and the work was completed by the Superintendent, as directed by the Selectmen.

The work upon the highways under the direction of the Superintendent has been performed in a satisfactory manner and we believe with the best results for the money expended.

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Francis E. Stetson, labor, team	.	.	\$14 47
Morrison M. Alden, labor, team	.	.	25 66
Town teams, labor,	.	.	268 69
George R. Weaver, labor,	.	.	9 00
Charles A. Allen, labor,	.	.	105 66
H. M. White & Co., supplies	.	.	2 23
George F. French, labor	.	.	11 63
James Riley, team, labor	.	.	497 24
Thomas Whalen, labor	.	.	66 58
Thomas Buckley, labor	.	.	169 98
Joseph Donovan, labor	.	.	172 11
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	166 37
John O'Keefe, labor	.	.	41 35
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	150 70
William Brennen, labor	.	.	135 44
William C. Barry, labor	.	.	153 71
Martin Harty, labor	.	.	15 00
John Sheehan, labor	.	.	60 05
Florence Sullivan, labor	.	.	20 44
Peter McConaty, labor	.	.	42 00
Robert McAuliffe, labor	.	.	43 06
Michael Lagan, labor	.	.	53 34
A. J. Towns, labor	.	.	56 50
Joseph T. Leahy, labor	.	.	19 64
Patrick Welch, labor	.	.	28 00
Joseph Riley, labor	.	.	31 94
John Curran	.	.	62 88
Bartholomew O'Mahoney, labor	.	.	16 00
John Crosby, labor	.	.	20 00
John P. Rooney, labor	.	.	92 54
Philip Riley, labor	.	.	53 62
James Barry, labor	.	.	14 00

Paid William White, labor	\$4 00
Andrew Nightingale, labor	51 23
Soriana Jones, labor	10 00
Ansel Mann, labor	5 00
Charles Lyons, labor	2 00
John Dunn, labor	42 55
Martin L. Eddy, labor	6 00
Jedediah French, labor	6 00
Sumner Thayer, labor	4 00
John Desmond, labor	33 83
James Carroll, labor	17 50
Cornelius Ahearn, labor	11 00
Edward Devine, labor	20 22
John Carroll, labor	10 50
James Fardy, labor and materials . .	50 58
John E. Clark, labor	15 33
Philip Riley, 2d, labor	8 44
Michael O'Connell, labor	64 10
James Devine, labor	21 39
John Wales, gravel	22 70
John Lyons, labor	83 76
Patrick Mannix, labor	4 22
Frank H. Langley, labor and materials .	14 05
William Hill, labor	8 00
Town Farm, gravel	14
Peter Larson, gravel	8 33
Goodwin & Rimbach, gravel	1 19
DuBois Heirs, gravel	11 62
John V. Beal, gravel	24 34
Mary Smith, gravel	85 73
Peter Sheridan, labor	4 00
Richard Forrest, labor	3 00
John A. Mann, labor	44
George M. Johnson, labor	22 66

Paid C. A. Wales, drain pipe	\$39 00
C. A. Wales, gravel	31 85
Michael Clark, labor	6 75
William Mahady, labor	18 06
Philip Green, labor	11 00
Edward F. Meaney, labor	9 00
Patrick Meany, labor	9 25
Thomas Barry, labor	2 00
Mary Harris, gravel	42
William Gill, labor	15 10
Simon B. Corliss, labor	17 33
S. B. Woodman, labor	11 00
James Swindells, sand	50
James Lyons, labor	56
Timothy Lyons, labor	56
American Powder Mills	14 45
Michael Crowley, labor	13 33
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	10 00
Estate T. F. Lynch, gravel	24 37
Patrick Crosby, labor	4 56
Daniel Kiley, labor	11 11
Christopher Purcell, labor	5 56
James Sutton, labor	4 56
Edward O'Flaherty, labor	1 00
Frank Riley, labor	3 00
George W. Wales, gravel	07
H. B. Alden estate, gravel	07

 \$3,564 14

Appropriation, \$3,500 00

Overdrawn, 64 14

WEST STREET WIDENING.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, labor	\$12 50
Town teams, labor	20 41
John B. McGrane, labor	17 34
Thomas Duff, labor	1 00
James Riley, labor	22 50
Joseph Donovan, labor	17 34
John O'Keefe, labor	11 33
Thomas Buckley, labor	16 11
Thomas Whalin, labor	15 11
John Lyons, labor	14 11
Michael Crowley, labor	17 11
William Brennen, labor	9 67
John Dunn, labor	15 11
Patrick Crosby, labor	1 00
Daniel Barry, labor	1 00
James Blythe, labor	6 56
Selwyn Wilbur, labor	6 56
Walter M. Sullivan, labor	1 00
William C. Barry, labor	1 00
H. B. Alden estate, gravel	3 36
Adam F. Jones, gravel	2 38
American Powder Mills	6 00
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	\$218 50

Appropriation, \$200 00

Overdrawn, 18 50

SIDEWALK, UNION STREET.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, labor	\$7 50
Town teams, labor	54 00
James Riley and team, labor	62 42

Paid John B. McGrane, labor	\$39 00
Thomas Duff, labor	18 00
Thomas Donahoe, labor	8 00
John Harris, labor	6 00
William Gill, labor	42 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	40 00
John O'Keefe, labor	40 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	40 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	36 00
John Sheehan, labor	27 00
John Lyons, labor	34 00
James O'Riley, labor	8 00
Andrew Nightingale, labor . . , .	13 00
Simon B. Corliss, labor	13 00
Joseph Riley, labor	13 11
Michael Crowley, labor	18 00
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	\$519 03
Appropriation, \$300 00	
Overdrawn, 219 03	

SIDEWALK, MILL STREET.

Paid town teams, labor	\$7 50
James Riley, labor	10 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	8 00
John Lyons, labor	2 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	6 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	10 10
Thomas Duff, labor	12 00
John O'Keefe, labor	6 00
John B. McGrane, labor	10 00
William C. Barry, labor	10 67
John Curran, labor	2 00
Philip Riley, labor	4 00

Paid Michael O'Connell, labor	\$7 00
William Brennen, labor	2 00
Mary Harris, gravel	2 73
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	\$100 00
Appropriation, \$100 00	

PAVING.

Paid Thomas Buckley, labor	\$52 73
Lorenzo Eddy, labor	40
Town teams, labor	65 83
James Riley and team, labor	84 69
John B. McGrane, labor	10 00
Thomas Duff, labor	29 11
Thomas Whalin, labor	51 22
John Lyons, labor	44 06
William C. Barry, labor	14 00
William Brennen, labor	14 00
John Dunn, labor	2 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	28 11
H. M. White & Co., supplies	1 35
John O'Keefe, supplies	18
John V. Beal, gravel	14
Mrs. A. Smith, gravel	60
J. Swindells, gravel	1 80
Michael Ford, gravel	4 20
Charles A. Wales, gravel	3 93
John Desmond, labor	8 00
Timothy J. Lyons, expressing	33
John Sheehan, labor	6 00
John P. Rooney, labor	25 11
Michael Crowley	7 61
James Sutton	4 00
Edward O'Flaherty	10 00

Paid James Barry	\$4 00
Peter McConaty, labor	3 77
John Curran, labor	5 00
James O'Brien, labor	7 00
Teresa Kingsley, gravel	6 65
Robert Hamilton, labor	6 00
H. Welch, labor	6 00
T. F. Lynch estate, gravel	10 09
H. B. Alden estate, gravel	2 70
Seth Mann, 2d, sand	4 50
John Wales, gravel	20
Francis E. Stetson, labor	75
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	\$526 06
Appropriation, \$500 00	
Overdrawn, 26 06	

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid James Carroll and others	\$170 50
Francis E. Stetson and others	125 27
George R. Weaver and others	200 69
Maurice E. Scanlan	1 00
William Mahady and others	112 62
Frank H. Langley, repairing snow plows	17 20
Robert McAuliffe	1 50
Richard Irving	5 00
James Riley and others	223 71
James Fardy, repairing snow plows	18 20
James Keenan	4 00
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	\$879 69
Appropriation, \$600 00	
Overdrawn, 279 69	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Henry E. Cottle, care of lamp . . .	\$20 00
Seth Mann, 2d, & Co., insurance . . .	102 00
E. W. Campagna, labor . . .	11 70
J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	342 50
George F. Parish, repairing chairs . . .	4 00
Chandler Cox, care of street lamp . . .	12 50
D. H. Huxford, printing town reports, war- rants, etc.	453 25
H. M. White & Co., supplies . . .	3 10
Thomas Purcell, teller . . .	5 00
Thomas Farrell, police duty . . .	35 50
Colin Boyd, care of Selectmen's room, hall lamp, etc.	148 10
John F. Cary, damage to sleigh . . .	3 00
Frank J. Donahoe, police duty . . .	27 25
C. G. Hathaway, insurance . . .	25 00
Hugh J. Molloy, teller . . .	10 00
Edward O'Flaherty, teller . . .	10 00
Charles D. Coleman, dinners . . .	25 00
James E. Foley, teller . . .	5 00
M. P. Pike, stone roller . . .	4 00
Frank Porter, stationery . . .	2 30
Edwin M. Mann, wood for Selectmen's room	19 50
Royal T. Mann, teller . . .	10 00
M. F. Sullivan, police duty . . .	88 75
W. A. Croak, teller . . .	10 00
Thomas Groom & Co., stationery . . .	9 50
Dexter T. Clark . . .	17 25
C. H. Belcher, supplies . . .	15 49
Captain Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A. R., on order of John T. Flood for services as Moderator	20 00

Paid E. L. Burdakin, copy of transfers . . .	\$10 00
Daniel Gibbons, teller	5 00
E. F. Knight, police duty	37 75
Weston P. Alden, teller	10 00
Lincoln Stetson, police duty	14 25
Thomas F. Swan, wall paper	4 00
Richard Meaney, police duty	14 25
John L. Burke, labor	2 00
C. F. Stone, labor	3 75
Burke & Hurley, labor	3 00
George E. Easton, police duty	12 00
Cushman Bro. & Co., window shades	8 72
E. Lawrence Paine, police duty	5 50
H. H. Guinan, supplies	26 00
John E. Clark, police duty	4 25
Peter W. Prior, police duty	4 25
Patrick Dean, 2d, police duty	4 25
James E. Blanche, police duty	4 25
Richard McAuliffe, police duty	4 25
Fred W. Nye, police duty	14 25
William B. Spear, labor and materials	19 46
John B. Thayer, labor	3 00
Trustees Stetson School Fund	25 00
F. A. Belcher estate, supplies	2 73
T. O'Callaghan, carpet	35 00
Globe Gaslight Co. . . .	75
James Fardy, labor and materials	47 79
George C. Spear, teller	5 00
Joseph J. McMahon, teller	5 00
James W. Kingsbury, dinners	19 50
Charles A. Wales, labor and materials	16 98
Joseph T. Leahy, teller	5 00
John B. Brennen, teller	5 00
D. B. White, teller	10 00

Paid T. T. Cushman, inspector of cattle . . .	\$40 00
M. Wales Baker, postage . . .	7 63
City of Quincy, board of prisoners at lockup	10 00
Peter B. Hand, board of health . . .	15 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	15 00
John K. Willard	15 00
Peter B. Hand, cash paid and expenses . .	13 65
Patrick H. McLaughlin, cash paid . . .	2 64
A. J. Gove, expressing and carriage hire .	51 80
John H. Field, teller	5 00
Sundry bills	2 50
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	\$2,009 84

Appropriation, \$2,000 00

Overdrawn, 9 84

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Peter B. Hand	\$400 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	350 00
John K. Willard	350 00
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	\$1,100 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

T. T. Cushman	\$125 00
Asa P. French	100 00
Thomas Dolan	100 00
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	\$325 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

James Fardy	\$50 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
David P. McGaughey	50 00
Hiram C. Alden, Clerk	75 00
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	\$225 00

TOWN AUDITORS.

C. G. Hathaway, Thomas F. Kennedy and M. F. Cunningham	\$15 00	
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ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Charles A. Wales, chief	\$40 00	
W. A. Croak, clerk	35 00	
John Haney	27 00	
Daniel J. Brennen	24 00	
Cornelius Desmond	24 00	
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COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Fred M. French, collecting taxes		
1892	\$115 00	
Fred M. French, collecting taxes		
1893	185 00	
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		\$2,115 00

Appropriation, \$2,100 00

Overdrawn, 15 00

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R.	\$100 00
Appropriation, \$100.	

ATTENDING FUNERALS.

Paid Ralph Houghton, attending 65 funerals	\$162 50
John B. Wren, attending 16 funerals	40 00
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	\$202 50

No appropriation.

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid Fred M. French	\$20 00
E. R. Jackson	30 00
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Appropriation, \$50	\$50 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty to January 1, 1894 .	\$140 00
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of En-	
gineers of Fire Department) . . .	\$2,510 30
Appropriation, \$2,290 00	
Overdrawn, 220 30	

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

Paid Trustees	\$2,200 00
Trustees, bank tax	175 20
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	\$2,375 20
Appropriation, \$2,200 00 and bank tax.	

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School	
Committee)	\$8,691 75

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners contribution to sink-	
ing fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on water bonds	4,800 00
For water for hydrants, public buildings .	2,000 00
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Appropriation, \$10,375 00	\$10,375 00

STATE AID (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1889).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State) . \$2,275 00

No appropriation. Refunded by State.

STATE AID (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1889).

Paid sundry persons (as per accounts of State) \$286 00

One half paid by the State . \$143 00

By town of Holbrook . . 37 00

By town of Randolph . . 106 00

\$286 00

Appropriation, \$300 00

Unexpended, 194 00

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1893 :

The management of the almshouse remains unchanged, with George R. Weaver and wife as superintendent and matron, who have proved specially adapted for their positions.

An order dated April 4, 1893, was received from the State Inspector of factories and buildings, requiring fire escapes to be constructed, the open stairways to be enclosed with partitions of plaster, and apparatus provided for extinguishing fire, for the better protection of the inmates.

This work was completed and approved of by the inspector, the expense of the same being three hundred dollars, for which no appropriation had been made, and is included in the expense of the almshouse.

The closing year has been marked by an unusual industrial depression, which resulted in many being unable to obtain employment, and obliged to apply for temporary relief, which in every instance has been rendered, in many cases being supplemented by individuals and societies.

The sum expended for relief of poor has been less than for the preceding year.

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Paid George R. Weaver, salary to Dec. 31, 1893,	\$499 96
George R. Weaver, supplies	75 93
George R. Weaver, Supt. of Streets	16 67

Paid Morrison M. Alden, supplies . . .	\$1 00
Lincoln Stetson, supplies . . .	3 48
C. D. Hill & Co., supplies . . .	347 29
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies . . .	188 94
H. M. White & Co., supplies . . .	155 69
C. H. Belcher, supplies . . .	40 14
H. H. Guinan, supplies . . .	52 75
George H. Eddy, supplies . . .	109 44
John Wallace, supplies . . .	84 73
Walter H. Berry, butter . . .	86 83
Walter M. Howard, fish . . .	41 65
N. A. Tolman, fish . . .	2 25
F. A. Belcher, supplies . . .	28 87
Frank H. Langley, labor . . .	17 88
Franklin Porter, supplies . . .	29 75
D. B. White, coal . . .	51 64
S. A. Thayer, coal . . .	58 86
Twomey & Brennen, supplies . . .	31 30
James Fardy, labor . . .	1 50
James Burke, labor . . .	3 30
Frank Mann, supplies . . .	8 00
Sidney French, supplies . . .	1 30
H. B. Libby, labor and materials . . .	141 60
A. O. Daniels, labor and materials . . .	28 46
C. H. Holt, fire escape . . .	175 00
C. F. Stone, labor . . .	3 75
C. A. Wales, labor and materials . . .	55 07
Wilson, Larrabee & Co., supplies . . .	3 30
N. E. Buck, supplies . . .	62 30
Royal T. Mann, supplies . . .	53 85
A. J. Towns, ice . . .	50 00
John H. Pray Sons & Co., carpet . . .	51 35
W. H. Harvey, stone hammer . . .	2 65
Seth Mann, 2d, pasturage . . .	5 00

Paid Robert McLennan, labor	\$3 45
A. J. Gove, expressing	2 35
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	\$2,577 28

ALMSHOUSE.

DR.

To stock on hand Dec. 31, 1892 .	\$2,687 90
Cash paid for supplies to Decem- ber 31, 1893	2,577 28
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	\$5,265 18

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By Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1893 .	\$2,656 15
Labor of town teams	453 68
Labor of superintendent	39 74
Use of derrick	5 00
Sale of produce	64 95
Board of sundry persons	130 00
Town of Holbrook, board of sun- dry persons	32 17
Net expense of almshouse	1,883 49
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	\$5,265 18
Appropriation, \$1,800 00	
Overdrawn, 83 49	

PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.

	Weeks.
Lewis A. Linfield	52
Edmund Eddy	52
Joseph A. Fritts	52
Bartholomew Gill	52
William A. Doyle	52
Catherine Heney	52

Annie L. Holbrook	.	.	.	.	.	.	52
Anganette Cross	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 $\frac{4}{7}$
Lydia Cross	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 $\frac{4}{7}$
Louis Cross	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 $\frac{4}{7}$
Lorenzo Eddy	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 $\frac{2}{7}$
Silas Binney	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 $\frac{4}{7}$
Albert W. Stetson	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Charles Abbott	.	.	.	.	.	.	9 $\frac{4}{7}$
George Currier	.	.	.	.	.	.	$\frac{3}{7}$
William L. Fox	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC., DEC. 31, 1893.

2 horses	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$450 00
1 cow	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
2 pigs	.	.	.	.	.	.	36 00
30 fowl	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
8 tons English hay	.	.	.	.	.	.	160 00
1 road scraper	.	.	.	.	.	.	75 00
3 horse carts	.	.	.	.	.	.	175 00
1 farm wagon	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 00
1 carriage	.	.	.	.	.	.	20 00
1 two-horse wagon	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 00
1 swing drag	.	.	.	.	.	.	35 00
1 mowing machine	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 00
2 gravel screens	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
2 cart harnesses	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
1 carriage harness	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
1 pair double harness	.	.	.	.	.	.	40 00
1 two-horse sled, shaft and pole	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
4 draft chains	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
2 grindstones	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 00

2 carriage jacks	\$4 00
4 baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
2 plows	15 00
1 harrow	5 00
8 hay and manure forks	5 00
6 shovels	6 00
4 iron bars and 3 picks	5 00
3 wood saws and saw horses	4 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Wooden ware	15 00
Sewing machine	16 00
Ice chest	45 00
Clothes wringer and tin ware	15 00
10 hand lamps, 3 hanging lamps, 3 lanterns	10 00
1 clock	4 00
12 cuspidors	6 00
26 iron bedsteads	100 00
8 feather beds	48 00
15 under beds	36 00
42 sheets	21 00
15 white blankets	15 00
30 colored blankets	30 00
46 pillow cases	15 00
6 bed spreads	6 00
40 feather pillows	26 00
20 comforters	20 00
24 towels	4 00
3 table cloths	3 00
7 tables	5 00
1 walnut extension table	10 00
2 all wool carpets	50 00
58 chairs	25 00
4 brooms	1 00

1 churn	\$3 00
Coal hods and shovels	5 00
1 hospital bedstead	40 00
1 wheelbarrow	5 00
2 axes	2 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 50
4 scythes and snaths	4 00
2 hand saws, plane and square	4 00
1 iron vise, bit, bitstock, etc.	5 00
32 drills and 4 stone hammers	30 00
49 flour barrels	4 90
8 cords wood	64 00
2 tons coal	15 50
15 bushel potatoes	15 00
Garden vegetables	20 00
2 barrels flour	11 00
35 pounds crackers	3 50
52 pounds butter	15 60
10 pounds lard	1 00
1 barrel pork	24 00
2 gallons molasses	1 20
2 gallons vinegar	50
1 bushel beans	2 25
Pickles and preserves	8 00
120 pounds sugar	6 00
10 pounds tea	5 00
Spices	1 60
3 pounds tobacco	1 05
Grain and meal	6 00
50 pounds ham	5 50
30 pounds bacon	3 30
25 gallons kerosene	2 50
1 kerosene barrel	1 50
1 stove	4 75

1 fire extinguisher	\$30 00
Flat irons	4 00
Soap powder	50
50 pounds soap	2 50
8 snow plows	100 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	125 00
1 sleigh	15 00
Carriage robe, blankets, etc.	15 00
Cooking range, hot water tank, etc.	70 00
1 barrel apples	2 50
1 lawn mower	6 00
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	\$2,656 15

RELIEF OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for John Leahy and wife	\$191 95
Anne R. Bunberry	30 95
Thomas Allen and family	6 45
Annie Drury	46 00
Hubert Mann and family	10 00
Robert M. McAuliffe and family	9 00
Susanna Buckley	55 00
Alexander Holbrook and wife	132 13
Susan Acherson	68 15
Hugh Curry and family	75 69
Isaac Holbrook and wife	125 41
David J. Foley and family	246 88
Mrs. John DeNeill and family	152 00
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	77 15
Mrs. Ellen Wilkinson	30 90
Mrs. Ann Brophy	38 84
John Acherson	16 00
Thomas Donahoe and family	74 90
Julia Ainsley and family	183 10

Paid for Mrs. Luke O'Reilly and family . . .	\$159 00
Mrs. Margaret DeNeill . . .	35 35
William F. Wills at state almshouse . . .	146 00
Horace E. Holbrook, Taunton lunatic hospital	169 46
Margaret Ward, Taunton lunatic hospital . . .	169 46
Timothy Donahoe, Taunton lunatic hos- pital	169 46
William R. Farquhar, Westboro insane hospital	169 48
Bridget Gill	132 81
Silas Binney	5 00
William J. Carroll and family . . .	12 00
Emory Lyons	2 00
Benjamin F. Kennedy	24 00
Thomas Murray and wife	131 15
Catherine McKay	102 40
Mrs. James Butler	45 00
Mrs. Amasa Clark	104 00
James Neary	42 13
Fanny Niles	31 50
Charles Stickney	9 20
John Shea	7 94
Mrs. B. F. Jones	7 25
Thomas McMahon	31 00
Mrs. C. A. Allen	7 45
James J. Hoge and family	72 00
Ruel F. Cross and family	19 44
William Shields and family	51 95
Mrs. Patrick O'Connor	6 90
William Barrows and family	34 35
Rose Campbell and family	18 00
Mary Morgan	6 90
Mrs. C. H. Woods	3 45

Paid for Richard Heney	\$6 90
William Ward children	12 00
Eliza D. Parker and family	41 53
Aid to sundry persons	26 35
Aid refunded sundry persons	34 50
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Appropriation, \$3,800 00	\$3,617 81
Unexpended, 182 19	

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for James Meaney family	\$345 62
Thomas Noonan	6 00
Christiana Sloan	51 00
Lawrence Leavitt	25 78
Michael Dumphy family	171 22
Charles V. Sloan and family	158 48
George F. French	13 50
Ebenezer Holbrook and wife	89 00
George Kiley at House of Angel Guardian	120 00
Mary Mullins	72 00
Lewis N. Weathee, at Taunton lunatic hosp'l,	169 46
Hiram S. Faunce	9 00
Thomas F. Hand	23 15
Lysander C. Morse	2 50
Albert W. Stetson	2 50
Albert Howard and wife	48 00
John E. Mann, wife and child	88 02
Aid refunded	16 24
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	\$1,411 47

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Amount paid by Holbrook,	470 39
Unexpended,	59 22

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Charles Abbott	\$61 00
Michael Lagan	59 55
Elizabeth Green	19 50
Mrs. Ellen Fox	9 00
Hiram Holbrook	3 00
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	\$152 05
Appropriation, \$200 00	
Unexpended, 47 95	

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Mrs. John C. Welch, Weymouth .	\$147 05
Wilfred N. Pendergrass family, Holbrook,	147 00
Albert and John Lang, Taunton . .	104 00
Mrs. John E. Glover, Quiney . .	16 50
George F. Parish and family, Gardner	10 00
Children of Peter Lamont, Mansfield .	11 00
Alfred Lincoln, Easton	6 00
Gastinear Foster and family, Brockton	3 45
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	\$445 00
No appropriation.	

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid Colin Boyd, salary as keeper of lockup .	\$105 00
Colin Boyd, supplies	55 15
D. B. White, coal	7 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	13 56
Wilson, Larrabee & Co., blankets . .	7 35
Jordan, Marsh & Co., mattress . .	2 50
S. A. Thayer, coal	6 70
W. B. Spear, labor and materials . .	6 25

Paid Frank A. Smith, charcoal . . .	\$5 10
Patrick Madigan and family . . .	78 94
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	\$287 55

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE, 1893.

Paid A. L. Chase, M.D.	\$50 00
Visits made Mrs. Lysander Holbrook,	11
Joseph Fritts . . .	5
Christiana Sloan . . .	8
Anganette Cross . . .	7
William Shields family	19
John Dunn . . .	2
Clara Osborne . . .	12
Paid E. B. Cushing, M.D.	\$31 00
Visits made Mrs. Michael Lagan .	31
Paid D. F. Kinnier, M.D.	50 00
Visits made Catharine Meaney .	93
Agnes Meaney . . .	5
Hugh Curry . . .	47
James Neary family .	63
John Leahey . . .	23
Margaret DeNeill .	13
Bridget Gill . . .	113
David Foley family .	13
William Shields family	17
Silas Binney . . .	13
Patrick Madigan family	53
Paid C. C. Farnham, M.D.	50 00
Visits made Thomas Donahoe family	38
Charles V. Sloan family	5
George French . . .	2
William Doyle . . .	4

Paid T. T. Cushman, M.D.		\$50 00
Visits made Thomas Donahoe family	12	
Isaac Holbrook and wife	55	
Paid F. C. Granger, M.D.		50 00
Visits made Joseph Fritts	38	
Thos. Murray and wife	14	
Mrs. Luke O'Reilly family	11	
Paid W. M. Babbitt, M.D.		38 00
Visits made Lorenzo Eddy	24	
Emily Sloan	14	
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		\$319 00
Appropriation, \$400 00		
Unexpended, 81 00		

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE
SELECTMEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$453 68
labor of George R. Weaver	39 74
F. A. Stanley, rent of Matthew Clark building	18 75
C. F. Stone, rent of Matthew Clark building	25 00
George R. Weaver, sale of produce	64 95
board refunded	131 00
aid refunded	41 50
circus licenses	4 00
C. N. Thayer	2 52
sale of gravel	14
sale of rend rock	28
T. Bancroft, for rend rock	50
Manus Gallagher, rend rock	70
John O'Keefe, rend rock	1 25
use of derrick	5 00
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	\$789 01

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1894.

For schools (see report of School Committee) .	\$10,150 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees)	2,200 00
miscellaneous town expenses	2,000 00
repairs of highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	500 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	3,800 00
soldiers' relief	300 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	1,000 00
military aid	100 00
town officers	2,100 00
electric lighting	2,692 00
water works (see report of Commissioners)	10,375 00
interest on town debt	2,200 00
fire department (see report of Engineers) .	1,200 00

Respectfully submitted,

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

The committee who were appointed to consider the matter of electric lighting have given the question their careful consideration, and respectfully submit the following report :

Members of the committee have conferred with members of the Gas and Electric Light Commission, have obtained copies of their reports and have obtained reports on lighting from the towns of Braintree and Peabody ; useful information of a special nature was also received from Mr. T. A. Watson, the chairman of the committee on electric lighting at Braintree. The committee visited the towns of Braintree, North Abington and Stoughton, and individual members have made visits to various places in search of information.

Of the towns which are lighted at present by electricity, some own their plants and the others purchase their light.

A law has been enacted to enable cities and towns to establish and maintain plants for the purpose of municipal and domestic lighting, but no extended allusion can be made to it in this place.

Danvers, Peabody, Braintree and Wellesley have accepted the legislative act and have electric light plants in operation at the present time. Stoughton, Needham, Hingham, North Attleboro and Winchester have accepted the act and have appropriated money for the establishment of a plant. Melrose has accepted the act. The plants which have been established by towns have been in operation so short a time

that the exact cost of building and maintaining them and the income to be derived from them cannot be estimated definitely.

At the present time only two towns, Peabody and Braintree, are provided with plants which have been built with a view to furnishing both municipal and domestic light; Peabody, with a population of about ten thousand, has established a plant at an expense of forty-eight thousand dollars; the annual expense of operation, including interest, depreciation and taxes is about ten thousand five hundred dollars.

Braintree, which has a population of about 4,800, and which the committee deemed to be a good criterion, has established and is operating at the present time a plant which furnishes electric light for street and commercial purposes.

The total cost of the plant is about thirty-five thousand dollars; the cost of operating, including interest and depreciation, is about eight thousand dollars per annum; the income derived from the sale of light by the town is at present eighteen hundred dollars per annum, and therefore the net annual cost to the town is about sixty-five hundred dollars; it should be said here, however, that the town expects to materially increase the income which is now derived from the sale of the light, and thus reduce the annual cost.

If this town should decide to use electric light and at the same time should deem it inexpedient to establish a plant of its own, only one course of action is open: to buy light from Mr. Charles Doughty, the owner of the plant which is already located here.

The committee have conferred with Mr. Doughty and have found that his terms for furnishing electric light are reasonable as compared with prevailing prices elsewhere.

Mr. Doughty has submitted the following proposal: I will furnish and keep lighted from dark until 12.15 A.M. on each and every night of the year, and on winter mornings

from six o'clock until daylight, twenty-one (21) 2000 candle-power arc lamps, for the sum of seventy (70) dollars each per annum, which arc lamps are to be located as follows :

Fifteen (15) on Main Street, between Schoolhouse No. 1 on the south, and Engine House on the north.

One (1) near the Warren street depot.

One (1) at the junction of Union and South streets.

One (1) at the corner of North and Plain streets.

One (1) at the corner of North and Cottage streets.

One (1) near the railroad crossing on Pleasant street.

One (1) at the corner of Liberty and Belcher streets.

Also twenty-nine (29) incandescent lamps at prices hereinafter stated as follows :

Two (2) 50 candle-power lamps on Warren street between railroad crossing and Silver street.

One (1) 50 candle-power lamp at the corner of Cross and West streets.

One (1) 50 candle-power lamp at the corner of Silver and West streets.

Three (3) 25 candle-power lamps on West street between Silver and Main streets.

Two (2) 25 candle-power lamps on Cottage street.

Three (3) candle-power lamps on Mt. Pleasant square.

One (1) 75 candle-power lamp at West Corners.

Six (6) 25 candle-power lamps on Main street between the north Engine House and West Corners.

One (1) 50 candle-power lamp at the corner of Alden and South streets.

One (1) 50 candle-power lamp at the corner of Alden and Union streets.

One (1) 50 candle-power lamp on Union street between Howard and Alden streets.

Seven (7) 25 candle-power lamps on Union street between Alden street and the railroad crossing.

Said lamps to be from 200 to 400 feet apart and are to be furnished at the following prices :

For each 75 candle-power lamp \$37.50 per annum.

For each 50 candle-power lamp \$25 per annum.

For each 25 candle-power lamp \$13.50 per annum.

The total cost would be \$1,966.

Mr. Doughty further agrees that, if the town shall contract with him for the lighting of streets to the extent mentioned in this report, he will furnish free of charge the electric current for the lighting of Stetson Hall.

To extend the scheme of Mr. Doughty so as to furnish light for a larger portion of the town, the committee have considered the location of additional lamps as follows :

One (1) 75 candle-power lamp at North and Liberty streets.

Three (3) 25 candle-power lamps on Mill street.

Three (3) 25 candle-power lamps on South street.

Five (5) 25 candle-power lamps on North street to the bridge.

Three (3) 25 candle-power lamps on North street below bridge.

Four (4) 25 candle-power lamps on Liberty street.

Two (2) 25 candle-power lamps on Chestnut street.

Three (3) 25 candle-power lamps on Cross street.

Four (4) 25 candle-power lamps on Warren to junction with West street.

Three (3) 25 candle-power lamps on West from Warren to McCarthy's Corner.

Two (2) 25 candle-power lamps from McCarthy's to Mann's Corner.

Ten (10) 25 candle-power lamps on South Main street above No. 1 Schoolhouse.

One (1) 25 candle-power lamp on Grove street.

Two (2) 25 candle-power lamps on Oak street.

Six (6) candle-power lamps on Lafayette street.

These additional lamps would cost \$726, which sum, added to the sum mentioned by Mr. Doughty, would give a total of \$2,692.

With regard to the making of a contract between the town and Mr. Doughty, the committee have been advised that, although according to the existing laws there is doubt as to the legality of such a contract, the risk of entering into it would be on the part of Mr. Doughty rather than on that of the town.

Provided the town should vote to enter into a contract with Mr. Doughty, the committee recommend that a contract for a period of not more than three years be made, that the amount to be annually expended shall not exceed the total sum last mentioned, viz., \$2,692; that the number of lights shall not be less than that of the complete plan which is mentioned in this report, and that the details of the contract shall be left to the discretion of the Board of Selectmen, who shall by the vote of the town be made its agents for that purpose.

In conclusion, the committee would say that they have felt that they would best fulfil the duty entrusted to them by presenting to the people the fullest information which they could obtain in connection with the matter of lighting the town by electricity, leaving it to the wisdom of the citizens to decide, after looking at the question in all its lights, what plan of electric lighting would be most advantageously adopted.

CHARLES H. HOWARD,
WESTON P. ALDEN,
WILLIAM F. BARRETT,
JOSEPH BELCHER,
JAMES FARDY,
ASA P. FRENCH,
WILLIAM H. GIBBONS,

ARTHUR HAGNEY,
HUGH J. MOLLOY,
JOHN B. THAYER,
STILLMAN B. WOODMAN,
Committee on Electric Lighting.

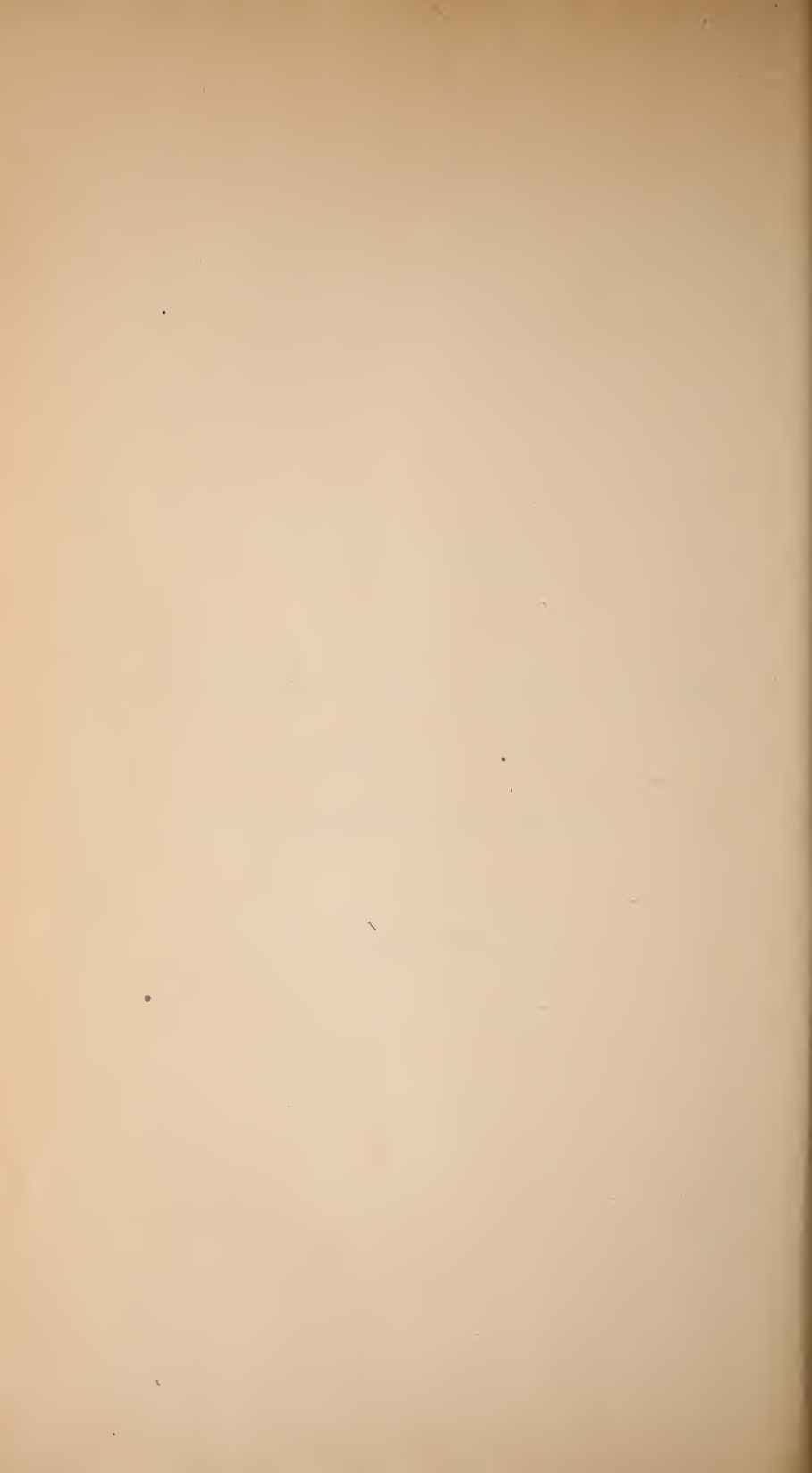
Randolph, Oct. 24, 1893.

The foregoing report was adopted by the town at a meeting held October 24, 1893, and a contract has been made with Charles Doughty, from November 1, 1893, to the first day of March A.D. 1896.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
Selectmen of Randolph.



ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.



REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Selectmen and Inhabitants of Randolph:

Section eighth of chapter forty-six of the Public Statutes reads as follows :

"The School Committee shall annually make a detailed report of the condition of the several public schools, which report shall contain such statements and suggestions in relation to the schools as the Committee deem necessary or proper to promote the interests thereof, and shall cause such report to be printed for the use of the inhabitants."

In compliance with the above requirement, your Committee respectfully submit the following report :—

The general condition of the schools does not change materially from year to year, but when the present work and the method of its accomplishment is compared or contrasted with that of twenty or thirty years ago, it is very easy to discover great and important improvements. Still, much remains to be done if the schools of our day are to keep pace with or, as is their right, lead in the onward march of civilization and refinement. In this age of telegraphs and telephones, of electric cars and electric lights, of wonderful inventions and improvements in our mechanical industries, so that a man's ability to perform has greatly increased, have we not a right to expect and demand such improvements in our educational systems as shall give the children a better education before passing from the grammar school?

Leading educators are beginning to assert that much time

is being wasted in our schools in teaching unimportant details of subjects, the excuse for dwelling so long upon them being the fact that they have always been taught in this manner, and it is difficult to break away from the habit.

There is no doubt that much time is spent in compelling pupils to memorize the location of unimportant places in geography and of dates and facts in history of little use to the pupil, consuming time that should be more profitably employed in other directions. Much difficult and worthless matter of the old arithmetics has been cast aside and does not appear in more modern books now used in our schools.

Your Committee have had their attention called to these new departures, which are being advocated by President Eliot of Harvard College and many other advanced thinkers, and being tried in some of our most progressive towns. They feel that some of the changes that are suggested are worthy of consideration.

TEACHERS.

Only one change has occurred in the corps of teachers during the year. Miss Rose M. Brady resigned her position which she had filled for several years as teacher of the North Street School.

Miss Helen A. Belcher, a graduate of Stetson High School and of Thayer Academy, was elected to fill the position.

The Tower Hill school was so crowded at the commencement of the year that some means had to be adopted for its relief.

After consideration the Committee decided to send some pupils from the Hill to the North Grammar building and others to the West Corners school. This furnishes a remedy for the present, but it may become necessary to open a second school in the Tower Hill building, as was the case in former years.

BOOKS.

The Committee decided to change from Warren's to Maury's geography, this being the only change in text books during the year.

SUPERINTENDENT.

From year to year your Committee have called your attention to the need of careful supervision of the daily work done in our schools; a supervision which can best be exercised by a person trained in the work of teaching. If a district could be formed with one or more neighboring towns, the extra expense would be slight and much good ought to result.

CENTENNIAL.

In the celebration by the town of her one hundredth birthday, the children of our public schools, as was expected, performed a very important part. Assembling in their various rooms, they marched to the Town Hall and formed in front of the building to the number of six hundred, and accompanied by Baldwin's band sang several selections in a very delightful manner, receiving applause from invited guests and visitors from neighboring towns, after which they adjourned to the hall, where a collation and entertainment were provided for them.

The work of preparation was performed during vacation, and the children and most of the teachers gave their time and labor with a faithfulness which called forth many hearty expressions of commendation from our townspeople.

IN GENERAL.

We feel that our schools are in the hands of good and faithful teachers, and while there are and of necessity must be different degrees of excellence, yet we feel confident that each teacher is striving for improvement in the high and exalted work of training our youth for good citizenship.

ROLL OF HONOR.

NAMES OF PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING
THE YEAR.

Sheldon J. Mann.	Frank A. Thayer.
Bertha Devine.	Wales G. Thayer.
Sophia R. Cole.	Robert H. Willard.
Frances Devine.	Waldo E. Mann.
Esther M. Holbrook.	William Barry.
Sybel M. Smith.	Lena A. Doge.
George Loring Binney.	Mabel M. Tabor.
John Dunn.	Ann O'Brien.

NOT ABSENT TWO TERMS.

Emma Jones.	Eugene McCarthy.
May Lawless.	William M. Bustard.
Emelie Schmidth.	Lilla M. Allen.
Bennie J. Mann.	Cora A. Baker.
Ernest Bigelow.	Grace A. Belcher.
Edward Devine.	Edith A. Belcher.
William L. Allen.	Joseph Campagna.
William H. Curran.	Edward Brady.
Edwin N. Stetson.	Sarah Burke.
Herbert Langley.	A. Louis Reynolds.
William D. Clark.	Maggie O'Halloran.
Mary T. Schrout.	Timothy Kelliher.
Ralph G. Knight.	Thomas Foley.

NOT ABSENT ONE TERM.

Jennie Wright.	Annie Walsh.
Carrie Devine.	Sarah Walsh.
Clarence Devine.	Elsie Moulton.
Hortense G. Hayes.	Mary Stetson.
Catharine Brady.	Kittie Moore.

Bertha Tucker.
Esther A. E. Wentworth.
Chester S. Wentworth.
Sammie Swindells.
Judith Swindells.
Irwin Stetson.
Bessie L. Bryant.
Ernest Payne.
Julia L. Schrout.
Mabel DeForest.
William Rudderham.
John R. Mouss.
James Smith.
Nellie Foley.
Emma C. Thatcher.
John Good.
Ralph R. Corlis.
Henry Clark.
Harry Dennehey.
Edward Savage.
John Uniack.
John Barrett.
Annie Kiley.

Fred Garland.
James Kelliher.
John J. Heney.
May Walsh.
James Foley.
George English.
Robert Uniack.
Willie Mahoney.
Gilman Chase.
Agnes Popope.
Bessie J. Fardy.
Harold Howard.
William Good.
Thomas H. Good.
George E. Easton.
Arthur M. Beals.
Mary F. Hayden.
William McLaughlin.
James F. Thatcher.
Frank E. Wales.
George A. Young.
Mary Gill.
Gertrude Powderly.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average enrollment.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 15 years.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Hugh J. Molloy	.85							
	{ Isabel M. Breed	.							
	{ Alice B. Smith .	.							
PRESCOTT	{ Thomas H. West	.54	47	0	42 +	90 +	3	25	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Kate Kiley . .	.54	47	0	45	96 +	1	53	0
	{ Kate E. Sheridan	.36	34	0	33	97	0	0	0
	{ Mary A. Molloy	.40	36	0	34	94	0	30	0
PRESCOTT	{ Mary E. Wren .	.36	0	35	32	91	0	2	0
PRIMARY,	{ Kittie R. Molloy	.46	0	42	38	88	0	0	0
NORTH	{ Joseph Belcher .	.57	0	54	51	94	3	54	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Ellen P. Henry .	.41	3	37	33	89	0	41	0
NORTH	{ Emma D. Stetson	.34	0	33	29	88	0	31	0
PRIMARY,	{ Clara A. Tolman	.34	0	33	29	83	0	3	0
	{ Lucie W. Lewis	.33	0	32	28	88	0	21	0
UNGRADED,	{ Helen A. Belcher	.26	0	19	18	94	0	11	0
	{ Sara Belcher .	.32	30	0	26	87	0	27	0
	{ Hannah F. Hoye	.47	0	44	40	91	0	32	0

The Committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to enable them to meet the expenses of the ensuing year to March 1, 1895 :—

For teaching	\$7,800 00
fuel	400 00
care of rooms	550 00
general and incidental	400 00
permanent repairs	400 00
books and supplies	600 00
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	\$10,150 00

Dog tax . . .	\$511 00
Coddington fund . .	80 00
State school tax . .	183 54
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	\$774 54

T. T. CUSHMAN.
ASA P. FRENCH.
THOMAS DOLAN.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS TO DEC. 31, 1893.

FOR TEACHING.

Paid Thomas H. West	\$999 96
Joseph Belcher	1,000 00
Ellen P. Henry	424 84
Katherine A. Kiley	425 00
Emma D. Stetson	380 00
Katherine E. Sheriden	399 00
Mary A. Molloy	380 00
Mary E. Wren	380 00
Katherine R. Molloy	367 00
Clara A. Tolman	367 00
Rose M. Brady	198 00
Helen Belcher	116 00
Lucy W. Lewis	354 00
Hannah F. Hoye	354 00
Sarah C. Belcher	354 00
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Total	\$6,498 80

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS, 1893.

Paid Wales Brothers, wood	\$2 50
Joseph Jones, wood	2 50
Joseph Leahy, wood	16 75

Paid S. Austin Thayer, coal	\$15 50
D. B. White, coal	332 50
Edwin M. Mann, wood	41 00
Lincoln Stetson, wood	2 50
Total	<u>\$413 25</u>

CARE OF ROOMS, 1893.

Paid Henry Beal	\$32 50
Michael Sheridan	277 90
Martin V. B. Howard	122 00
Mrs. Lewis Stetson	25 00
Mrs. Eleanor Holbrook	44 20
James Barry	27 50
Benjamin Stetson	1 85
Total	<u>\$530 95</u>

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid Edward A. Perry, building fence, No. 8 .	\$21 05
H. B. Libby, building fence, W. C. .	109 70
Burke & Hurley, painting fence, W. C. .	25 00
A. O. Daniels	24 32
M. M. Alden, stock for fence	44 95
	<u>\$225 02</u>

GENERAL AND INCIDENTAL REPAIRS.

Paid N. H. Tirrell, labor	\$50 50
Charles Prescott	87
Frank J. Donahoe, truant officer . . .	20 00
F. A. Belcher, curtains	2 43
Martin V. B. Howard, truant officer .	15 00
Thomas Dolan, census of school children, 1893	20 00
Mrs. L. Hayes, use of well, 1892-93 .	6 00
F. H. Wood, tuning piano	2 25

Paid S. A. Thayer	\$1 50
J. Rosenfield, 1 doz. feather dusters	9 00
John L. Burks, labor	3 00
M. F. Smith, stock, labor and team	21 00
Thomas Dolan, special service on repairs of schools	15 00
Thomas Dolan, postage	2 50
W. B. Spear, labor	2 50
Griffith Jones, labor	5 00
Lawrence White, labor	1 25
C. A. Wales, general incidentals	63 55
D. H. Huxford, printing	23 00
E. W. Campagna, labor	1 68
Thomas Dolan, general incidentals	15 00
Frank McAuley, labor	1 40
James Fardy, repairs	1 70
Michael Sheridan, labor	9 75
Thomas Dolan, expenses to Boston on sup- plies	5 00
Colin Boyd, care committee room	6 00
M. M. Alden, stock	6 63
Edward A. Perry, labor	28 75
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	\$340 26

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid C. B. Goodrich & Co.	\$90 00
Thomas Hall & Son	9 40
Ginn & Co.	2 50
Boston School Supply Co.	130 65
Carl Schoenof	4 88
DeWolf, Fiske & Co.	7 50
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	9 43
Bigelow & Taylor	11 04
J. L. Hammett	92 80

Paid Joseph Belcher	\$5 25
Silver, Burdett & Co.	20 50
Prang Educational Co.	19 88
University Publishing Co.	212 25
Oliver Ditson	35 10
American Co.	1 40
Thompson & Brown	23 38
Maynard & Merritt	7 50
Total	<u>\$683 47</u>

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State school fund	\$183 54
Coddington fund	80 00
Return from dog fund	511 98

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for teaching	\$6,498 80
books and supplies	683 47
general and incidentals	340 26
care of rooms	530 95
fuel	413 25
permanent repairs	225 02
Total	<u>\$8,691 75</u>

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

The trustees of Stetson High School respectfully present their annual report as follows : —

The exercises of the forty-ninth commencement of Stetson High School were held in Stetson Hall on Friday, the thirtieth day of June, 1893, in presence of the trustees and friends of the school, filling the hall to its utmost capacity.

The members of the graduating class, having attended the school the full time required by the trustees, having performed their several parts in the exercises, were presented with diplomas.

FOUR YEARS' COURSE.

Latin.

Myra Evelyn Hunt.	Ethel Eliza Roberts.
Frank White Belcher.	

English.

Clifford Mann Balkham.	Joseph Warren Mahony.
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TWO YEARS' COURSE.

Eileen Genevieve Bracken.	Bertha May Beals.
Eva Marilla Dyer.	Jesse Clarence Alden.

The Turner medals were awarded to the valedictorian, Frank White Belcher, and the salutatorian, Myra Evelyn Hunt.

Miss Edith Bancroft resigned her position as assistant in the school. Miss Alice M. Smith, A.B., a graduate of Boston University, was elected to fill the vacancy. The trustees are confident that the school is prospering under the principal, Hugh J. Molloy, A.M., who is thorough in his work, a

good disciplinarian, exacting in recitations and popular with his pupils.

At the commencement of the school year in September last, there were admitted to the school forty-one pupils, twenty-nine in the Latin, and twelve in the English Course.

Whole number in the school, eighty-five, five of this number being from the town of Avon.

Number in Latin Course, sixty-two; number in English, twenty-three.

To maintain the school at its present standing the trustees respectfully ask the voters of the town to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,200 and the bank tax.

T. T. CUSHMAN.
JOHN B. WREN.
ASA P. FRENCH.

DR.		THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT	
1893.			
Jan.	1.	To balance old account	\$20 06
Feb.	10.	tuition Sadie M. Wall	5 00
	10.	loan from Trustees (borrowed on note)	500 00
Mar.	23.	town appropriation in part	1,100 00
April	1.	dividends, Eliot National Bank	\$30 00
		Webster National Bank	20 00
		Hide and Leather Nat. Bank	30 00
		Shoe and Leather Nat. Bank	25 00
		Exchange National Bank	30 00
		Boylston National Bank	30 00
		Tremont National Bank	25 00
		Old Boston National Bank	20 00
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00
		Randolph National Bank	65 00
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			314 00
July	13.	town appropriation in part	550 00
Sept.	11.	town appropriation, balance of	550 00
		town order for part payment of Spear's bill for painting in Hall	25 00
		dividends, Eliot National Bank	\$30 00
		Webster National Bank	20 00
		Hide and Leather Nat. Bank	25 00
		Shoe and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00
		Exchange National Bank	30 00
		Boylston National Bank	30 00
		Old Boston National Bank	25 00
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00
		Randolph National Bank	65 00
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			284 00
Dec.	27.	tax on bank stock refunded by town	175 20
		rental of Hall during year	163 50
		O. C. Stockwell, tuition	5 00
		Edward Quinn, diploma	50
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			\$3,692 26

RANDOLPH, January 22, 1894.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of Stetson School Fund as represented, and find them correct.

The investments remain in the bank stock reported by the Trustees, same as last year, the par value of which is \$10,600, the certificates remaining with the Secretary.

We also find in the hands of the Secretary a \$1,000 bond, the investment for the Turner Fund, same as reported.

PETER B. HAND.
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN K. WILLARD.

WITH THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1893.

Jan.	16.	By paying for stationery	\$0 20
Feb.	24.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	257 89
	24.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	96 71
	24.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary	92 10
Mar.	3.	N. H. Tirrell, bill	4 00
	23.	Colin Boyd, bill	28 00
	23.	C. F. and A. W. Stone, bill	3 33
	23.	Trustees' note and interest	502 50
Apr.	10.	J. White Belcher, insurance	56 25
	10.	C. G. Hathaway, insurance	25 00
	13.	C. A. Wales, bill	13 40
	19.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	147 36
	19.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	55 26
	19.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary	52 64
	19.	Colin Boyd, bill	15 00
May	17.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	147 36
	17.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	55 26
	17.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary	52 64
	24.	E. R. Jackson, clocks	22 00
	24.	Wm. Bourne & Son, tuning piano	3 50
June	8.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	110 52
	12.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	55 26
	12.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary	52 64
	29.	Am. Bank Note Co., diplomas	2 00
	29.	A. F. Dinsmore, work on diplomas	2 75
	29.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	41 47
	29.	Edith Bancroft, acct. salary	39 42
	30.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	147 36
July	13.	John B. Thayer, bill	41 65
	13.	Colin Boyd, bill	31 00
	24.	J. T. Leahy, coal	16 25
Aug.	23.	F. Taylor, repairs	5 90
	25.	Frank J. Donohue	1 50
Sept.	14.	J. T. Leahy, coal	226 50
	14.	A. J. Gove	19 30
	14.	Colin Boyd	5 20
Oct.	3.	Isabel M. Breed, acct salary	57 89
	3.	Alice M. Smith, acct. salary	52 63
	6.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary	184 21
	18.	Wm. B. Spear, painting	82 44
	20.	F. F. Smith, charcoal	7 80
	27.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary	57 89

Oct. 27.	By paying Alice M. Smith, acct. salary .	\$52 63	
Nov. 4.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary .	147 36	
16.	D. H. Huxford, printing .	20 75	
16.	F. A. Stanley, repairs .	10 67	
29.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary .	147 36	
29.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary .	72 37	
29.	Alice M. Smith, acct. salary .	65 78	
Dec. 22.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary .	43 42	
22.	Alice M. Smith, acct. salary .	39 47	
22.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	28 00	
30.	F. A. Belcher estate, supplies .	1 57	
30.	Stationery	25	
30.	M. M. Alden, repairs . .	56 53	
30.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary .	100 00	
30.	Hugh J. Molloy, bill supplies .	5 80	
30.	Trustees and Secretary . .	20 00	
		<hr/>	\$3,683 94
	Balance		8 32
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			\$3,692 26

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1893.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

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Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

NATHANIEL HOWARD.

JOHN V. BEAL.

JOHN B. THAYER.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

ASA P. FRENCH.

GILBERT A. TOLMAN.

MISS ALICE M. TURNER.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant.

MRS. FRANCIS O. HOWARD.



TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the eighteenth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1893.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, Nathaniel Howard and John K. Willard) report that the building is in good condition, and no extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year. The parties who have been supplied with light and heat have paid their proportionate part of the same as assessed by the committee.

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, John J. Crawford and Asa P. French), and the books, charts and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition.

The following extracts from the eighteenth annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees,

contains a condensed statement of the present condition of the library, and a brief summary of the work accomplished during the year ending December 31, 1893 :

"The number of volumes reported last December was 11,693
Since that time there have been added :

by purchase	296
by gift	41
by periodicals bound	42
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making the present total	12,072

"This large number of volumes places the Turner Library fifth in size among the twenty-seven free libraries in Norfolk County, and fortieth among the three hundred and fifty-one libraries in the State of Massachusetts, while with one exception (that of Lexington), the Turner Library is the largest in any town of the State containing not over four thousand inhabitants. These statistics (taken from the last report of the Free Library Commission) seem most encouraging.

"Statistics may be dry reading, but they furnish the only data by which strangers may judge of the work done. To us they mean much, and when we associate with them the knowledge that the volumes of our library are exceedingly well selected, and that it is notably rich in its reference, historical and biographical departments, that the literature of nearly every country and age is generously covered by the books already at hand, we may entertain something of pride and satisfaction.

"The facilities afforded to each teacher of the public schools of the town for taking from the library—through its circulating system—any number of volumes not exceeding ten, for school purposes only, and for an unrestricted period of time, has found a ready acceptance and hearty commendation from both teachers and scholars.

"During the past year this branch of our circulation has been somewhat larger than the previous year, reaching a total of four hundred and sixty-two volumes.

"The library has been open to the public every day during the year, except Sundays, legal holidays, and the mid-summer vacation for annual examination.

"The number of persons owning cards is 1,500, and the sum total of volumes borrowed for home use is 17,594, the daily average being 63.

"The reading room has been largely visited, and as a general rule excellent order has been observed."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt, P. H. McLaughlin and Peter B. Hand) report that they have examined the accounts of the treasurer, in compliance with Article 10 of the by-laws, and find that the bills and orders for expenditures, which have been presented for payment, have been paid by the treasurer, upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$211.31 is now in the treasury. They further find that all the rents, interest, and all the revenues, from whatever source, have been duly collected and properly secured. The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the balance before mentioned, consist of \$5,000 invested in a promissory note of the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, and the additional sum of \$10,000, known as the "Turner Fund," invested as follows:—

Three bonds of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, \$1,000 each.

Two bonds of Union Pacific Railroad, collateral trust, \$1,000 each.

Three bonds of Kansas Pacific Railroad, \$1,000 each.

Two bonds of Chicago, Burlington & Northern Railroad, \$1,000 each.

For the current year the income is estimated as follows :

From rents	\$550 00
Interest on town note	200 00
From Turner Fund	530 00
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Total	\$1,280 00

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1893, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

The trustees take this opportunity to publicly express their satisfaction with the faithful manner in which the librarian and his assistant have performed all the various library duties committed to their care.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1894.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

January 1, 1893, balance on hand	\$376 66
Received rent from Randolph National Bank	200 00
rent from Randolph Savings Bank	100 00
rent from C. H. Belcher	250 00
rent from Ladies' Library Association	15 00
from church and others for gas and fuel	296 97
from Turner Fund	570 00

Received interest on town note to July 1 . . .	\$200 00
from fines and catalogues	50 35
From B. & M. River bonds, which fell due and were paid October 1 . . .	2,000 00
from Abby W. Turner to pay premium and accrued interest on two Chicago, Burlington & Northern R.R. 5 per cent bonds to replace above . . .	75 28
amount transferred to National Hide & Leather Bank, Boston	330 84
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	\$4,465 10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books, magazines, etc.	\$647 15
Librarian, salary for one year	500 00
Janitor, salary for one year	125 00
for fuel and gasoline	441 65
for permanent repairs	75 49
supplies, including water	36 00
express on books and packages	22 38
for Chicago, Burlington & Northern R.R. bonds	2,075 28
amount deposited in National Hide & Leather Bank	330 84
Balance on hand December 30, 1893 . . .	211 31
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	\$4,465 10

The Turner Fund remains invested the same as last year except that the two Burlington & Missouri River R.R. 7 per cent bonds, which fell due and were paid Oct. 1, have been replaced by two Chicago, Burlington & Northern R. R. 5 per cent (first mortgage) bonds, leaving it as below :

Union Pacific R.R. bonds, 2 at \$1,000 . . .	\$2,000 00
Chicago, Burlington & Northern bonds, 2 at \$1,000	2,000 00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy bonds, 3 at \$1,000	3,000 00
Kansas Pacific bonds, 3 at \$1,000	3,000 00
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	\$10,000 00

The remaining funds consist of the \$5,000 note of the town of Randolph, which bears interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,
Treasurer.

Randolph, Mass., January 1, 1894.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph :

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submit the following report for the year 1893 :—

ORGANIZATION.

On May 1, 1893, the department was organized as follows :—

Board of Engineers.

C. A. Wales (*Chief*), John Haney, D. J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond (*Assistants*), W. A. Croak (*Clerk and Assistant*).

Companies.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Steamer No. 2, James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; Walter M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine, James E. Blanche, *Driver*.

Hook and Ladder Truck, Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon No. 1, Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel No. 2, Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1, 17 men; James Farrell, *Foreman*.

Hose No. 2, 10 men; C. F. Bean, *Foreman*.

Chemical No. 1, 13 men; James A. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

Hook and Ladder Co. No 1, 17 men; Franklin Taylor, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

April 17, 1893, 8 A.M., alarm for a fire in dwelling on

High street (Tower Hill), owned and occupied by L. C. Schmidt (formerly Tower Place). The building, a two-story one with stable attached, was wholly consumed. Total loss estimated at about \$6,000; no insurance on contents, building partially insured; cause of fire, defective chimney.

April 19, 4 A.M., alarm for a fire in the dwelling on West street owned and occupied by William Barrows; partially destroyed. Total loss estimated at about \$1,300; cause of fire, overturned lamp; insured, both building and contents.

May 12, 11 A.M., on a still alarm, the engineers were notified of an extensive fire in woodland owned by R. A. Thayer, J. Monroe Dyer and others, located north side of North and Oak streets. After several hours' hard work by a large force of men, the fire was got under control, only to start again by the wind fanning into flame smouldering embers, which were finally extinguished toward midnight. While the above fire was in progress another one was reported in woodland owned by various parties on the west side of North Main street, between the residence of Ansel Mann and Joshua Hunt. This fire started about 4 P.M., and burned until 11 P.M.; several hundred acres were burned over, causing much damage to owners.

May 27, 12.15 A.M., alarm for a fire in an unoccupied shed or shop on West street owned by M. A. Donovan, which was wholly destroyed. The fire spread to the dwelling of Mrs. Fennesey, which was damaged about \$500. Total loss estimated at about \$700; cause of fire supposed to be incendiary; building insured.

August 6, 6 P.M., alarm for a fire in the barn on Chestnut street owned and occupied by George H. Eddy. Partially destroyed; total loss on building and contents estimated at about \$400; cause of fire, lightning; building insured.

October 9, 2.30 P.M., alarm for a fire in the dwelling on North street owned and occupied by Edw'd Powers. Fire was

confined to the L; total loss to building and contents estimated at about \$200. Insured, building and contents; cause of fire unknown, but supposed to be rats and matches.

November 27, 10 p.m., members of Chemical Company were called on a still alarm to a fire in an unoccupied building on Lafayette street, near Vine street. The fire was extinguished with slight damage, but at a later hour the incendiary got in his work and the building was wholly consumed. The building was a small one, and formerly occupied as a dwelling; the owner is supposed to be M. Upham, of Stoughton. Loss about \$150; reported to have been insured for a small amount.

EXPENSES.

Paid 54 men \$12 each, to May, 1893	\$648 00
for 432 hours at 50 cents, to May, 1893	216 00
for 77 hours at 25 cents, to May, 1893	19 25
for fires in woodland, 356 hours at 25 cents, to January, 1894	89 00
engineer of steamer	40 00
fireman of steamer	30 00
F. J. Donahue, steward, etc., Oct., 1892, to May, 1893	63 75
M. M. Poole, supplies	1 50
J. E. Blanche, hauling chemical, July, 1891, to January, 1893	78 00
C. Prescott, supplies	1 92
James Fardy, labor and material	23 13
James Riley, hauling hose and steamer 2, October, 1892, to January, 1893	12 00
W. A. Croak, labor and material	11 45
W. F. Sullivan, steward etc., December 10, 1892, to December 10, 1893	65 25
D. B. White, coal	42 75
Colin Boyd, janitor to May, 1893	6 00
W. M. Howard, steward, etc., to May, 1893,	96 25

Paid James Farrell, janitor hose 1, to May, 1893	\$6 00
A. S. Jackson, supplies	8 25
William O'Halloran, steward hook and ladder	9 25
Hartford Inspection and Insurance Co. . .	25 00
E. L. Payne, care of steamer 2, May, 1891, to November, 1893	16 50
C. A. Wales, labor, supplies, and cash paid, March, 1889, to January, 1893 . . .	60 15
A. J. Gove, drawing apparatus of central station 1 year, to May, 1893 . . .	300 00
A. J. Gove, expressing, extra teams, etc. .	19 20
Henry Campbell, varnishing hose reel 2 .	18 00
S. A. Thayer, coal	14 00
W. G. Tirrell, labor and material . . .	6 00
E. A. Perry, labor	3 75
C. E. Lyons, labor and material . . .	4 00
B. L. Clark, wood	1 25
R. M. McLellan, labor and material . .	5 70
Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies . . .	15 00
E. M. Mann, wood	4 00
C. Calahan & Co., 800 feet of hose . . .	480 00
J. White Belcher, insurance	60 00
Mary Sullivan heirs, rent of land . . .	10 00
Total expense	<u>\$2,510 30</u>
Total appropriation	<u>2,290 00</u>
Balance	\$220 30

The same fact appears at this time as in former reports, namely, that although the above figures show an excess of expense over the appropriations, yet the item of actual service at fires, for which no definite sum can be appropriated, as it cannot be foretold what the amount would be, for the year ending May 1, 1893, was \$235.25. Take this from the total expense, and it leaves a balance of \$14.95 in favor of the department.

There is another matter which we would call attention to

at this time, one that the appropriation committee appointed at the annual meeting should take into consideration when fixing the amount of money to be appropriated by the town, and that is the insurance on apparatus and buildings of the department. In former years, this item was charged to the miscellaneous expense account; but in recent years the Board of Engineers have been asked to accept this item on the claim that it was a fire department expense. If this is admitted, would it not be proper for the committee on appropriations to note this fact, and make their recommendation to the town to cover this item, so that the department may report its disbursements understandingly to your honorable board and to the town? The Board of Engineers would be pleased if all parties having bills against the fire department would present them before December 31 each year, or at any time previous to that date, as accounts are closed at that time, except in the case of drivers, engineers and fireman of steamer, and firemen, whose year ends May 1.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus is in good condition, and consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four wheel hose reel, one two-wheel hose reel, one chemical engine, one ladder truck, three portable chemical extinguishers, 3,500 feet of hose, extra ladders in houses of Steamer 2 and Chemical 1, fire escape shute, jumping canvass, &c.

The steamers have been inspected and insured against accident for one year. The disposal of one of the steamers is a matter still unaccomplished. As has been stated before, it seems to be a difficult matter to sell, from the fact that towns or cities that are about to purchase prefer to buy new instead of second hand machines; another reason is that so many towns are securing water services for themselves that there is no demand for steamers; therefore if any exchange could be made whereby the town could get a new

ladder truck that would be more in keeping with the rest of the apparatus, all of which is first-class, we believe it would be good policy to do so.

HOUSES.

The houses will need a coat of paint very soon, at least one will, and that is the house of Steamer 2; otherwise we know of no special outlay for the present. We hope the day is not far distant when there will be better conveniences and more room at the central station; but we will not enlarge upon the subject at present, for we have explained the condition of affairs so many times in past reports that it is perhaps unnecessary to say more at present.

FIRE ALARM.

We have nothing special to add on this subject in addition to what has been said in past reports. When the electric light poles have been set up all through our streets, it would seem to be then a matter not very difficult to have some system of fire alarm.

FIRE LOSSES.

The actual fire loss the past year has been about \$9,000. This includes woodland damage, which was probably \$500; also buildings and contents, on which there was paid an insurance of \$5,350.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1894.

We would recommend the same pay as last year for this department, namely, \$12 per year per man, and 50 cents per hour for actual service at fires, and 25 cents per hour for guard or watch duty, and steward work, &c. Engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman, \$30; general expenses, \$1,200.

C. A. WALES, *Chief.*

J. HANEY,

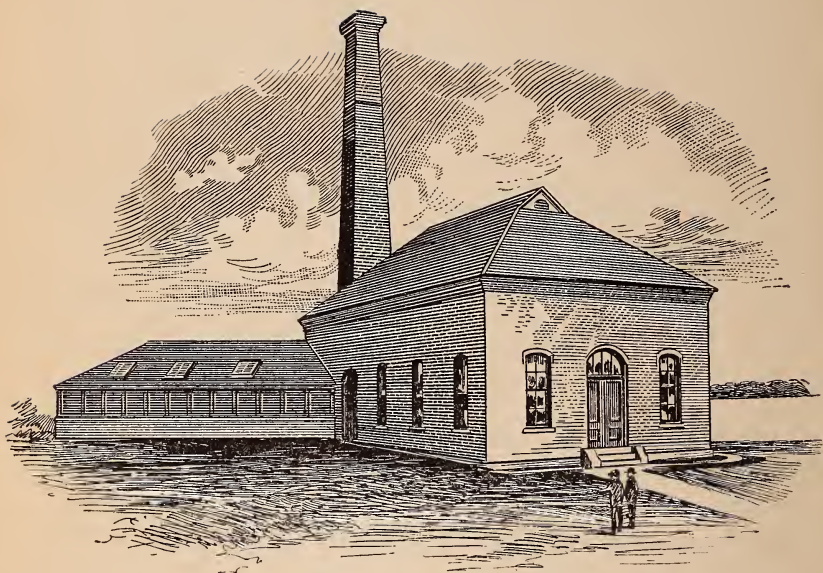
D. J. BRENNAN,

CORNELIUS DESMOND,

W. A. CROAK, *Assistant and Clerk.*

} *Assistants.*

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.



RANDOLPH PUMPING STATION.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

As Water Commissioners of the town of Randolph, we respectfully submit the eighth annual report, also reports of treasurer and engineer, in which we shall give what information we can in regard to the different branches of the water department.

At the commencement of the year, at a joint meeting of the Commissioners of the two towns, Frank G. Morse was chosen chairman and C. A. Wales clerk of the joint boards. The Commissioners were surprised to receive a letter from E. J. Chadbourne declining the position as superintendent, which he had held since the beginning of the works, to the satisfaction of the Commissioners and the public; at the same time, if he was to go, they were glad that he was to have a better position. Also at the same time they received a letter from E. J. T. Dexter, that he had received a better offer from other parties.

The Commissioners after considering the matter concluded that it would be better to retain the services of Mr. Dexter, he having been at the station since the commencement and thoroughly posted in relation to the pumps, etc. He was engaged for the next year, with the additional duties of being obliged to help at any time to make any repairs if called upon, and we are pleased to say that we have always found him ready and willing, and he has had charge of most of the breaks.

We are glad to report that, during the year, one of the two remaining lawsuits have been settled, that of George P. Niles and others.

This was the privilege formerly owned by George White, on Granite Street.

The amount sued for was fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), but was finally settled for two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250), including legal expenses. Braintree and Holbrook paying the same.

There remains the suit of J. T. Langford, which has been running since the completion of the works. We give below the letter received from our counsel, Messrs. Gaston and Snow, also the report of Judge Bennett, the auditor on the case.

BOSTON, January 16, 1894.

To the Water Commissioners for the Towns of Holbrook and Randolph:

Gentlemen, — The report of Mr. Bennett in the case of *Langford v. The Towns of Holbrook and Randolph* has just been filed in Cambridge. He finds a balance due Langford of \$3,239.13, and interest from the date of the writ, which, we believe, was February 27, 1888. This is exactly the position of the town; all the contested items have been decided in favor of the town.

We enclose bill for services up to date. We assume that possibly Mr. Langford may wish to carry the matter further, but we should think he would not care to do so. If you wish a copy of the judge's report, we will furnish you with one.

Very truly yours,

GASTON & SNOW.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

John T. Langford v. The Town of Randolph and the Town of Holbrook.

This is an action of contract to recover a balance due on a written contract, dated March 17 A.D. 1887, for the laying of water pipes in the town of Randolph and the town of Holbrook. After several hearings, the parties, at the suggestion of the auditor, agreed upon several items in the account, amounting in all to \$31,653.57; and they also agreed that \$28,414.44 had been paid the plaintiff, leaving a balance due on such agreed items of \$3,239.13, and I report in favor of the plaintiff for said amount, with interest thereon from the date of the writ, viz., February 27, 1888.

The plaintiff also claimed payments for sundry other disputed items, amounting in all to \$12,375.54, as per the account hereto annexed marked "A." The engineer of the Randolph and Holbrook Water Works, referred to in the written contract before mentioned, viz., Mr. M. M. Tidd, objected to the allowance of these items, on the ground that the same were all covered by the contract itself and included in its items, and he had never given any written order for extra work, and the plaintiff had never made any written claim for extra work to the Commissioners, referred to in said contract, and said engineer had never given any certificate to the plaintiff that the stipulations mentioned in said contract had been complied with, as required by the contract, which I found to be true upon the evidence before me. The contract also contained this provision, namely: "To prevent disputes and litigation, it is further agreed by and between the parties to this contract that the engineer shall, in all cases, determine the amount or the quantity of the sev-

eral kinds of work which are to be paid for under this contract; and he shall decide all questions which may arise relative to the execution of this contract on the part of the contractor; and his estimates shall be final and conclusive." Inasmuch, therefore, as said engineer had in good faith, in conference with the plaintiff, decided that the plaintiff was not entitled under said contract to any compensation for the items now under consideration, but that the same were included in the contract price, I was inclined to the opinion that the plaintiff was bound by such decision, and, for that reason, he was not now entitled to recover from the same, even if, except for such decision of the engineer, he might have been.

2. But independently of the decision of such engineer, I am unable to find that the plaintiff is entitled to recover said disputed items under the contract itself, and for the following, among other, reasons: The first disputed items in the plaintiff's account, numbered 11 and 12, are for excavating 3331 cubic yards of fine stones, \$8893.77, at \$2.67 a yard, price for "rock blasting"; but the contract provided that "only such stone as requires blasting and is found in sums of one cubic yard or more will be estimated as rock."

I find upon the evidence that these 3331 cubic yards were not found in sums of one cubic yard or more, and did not require blasting, and were in fact removed without blasting, solely by pick, shovel and derrick. I therefore disallow this item.

The next disputed item is numbered 16 in the account annexed to this report, viz.: "Tapping in three air valves and setting boxes, \$11.40." But I find that this work was fairly included in the undisputed items already allowed, and should not be charged as extra work. I therefore disallow this item.

The next items, No. 19, work of foreman, \$50, and No.

20, of men, \$287, in "cleaning up pipe line from pumping station to West Corners," I disallow for the same reason as the last.

The same may be said as to items 22 to 25, viz., \$45, \$234, \$2, being for labor and cement for constructing an embankment to support and cover pipe at station 29, including 12-inch drain through it.

Item 26, for the construction of a dam to hold back the water at a stream crossing at Union Street in Holbrook, viz., \$11.50 plus \$30.80 plus \$6.56. But as it was the duty of the contractor to lay all the pipes at the rates fixed by the contract, in my opinion it was his duty, under the contract, to do all work necessary to accomplish that result, — unless otherwise provided for.

The same may be said as to items 30 to 33, for constructing dams at the stream crossing at South Main Street in Randolph, viz., \$3.50 plus \$53.80 plus \$8.

So as to item 34, \$7.41.

Item 36 is for excavating below $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet, for laying the pipes at Brockton line and at Holbrook cemetery, \$278.50. But the contract required that the pipes should be laid according to the lines and grades given by the engineer; that the pipes when laid should conform to the alignment and grades required. This pipe was laid at the grade given by the engineer, and he determined that nothing should be paid for this excavation below $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet. I do not therefore allow this item.

Item 40 is for \$489, for the lost time of men and expenses incurred in changing men from Randolph and back on account of non-delivery of pipe at the place where the men were.

But the contract provided that the work of laying the pipes should be commenced and carried on at such points and in such order of precedence, and at such times and seasons, as

may from time to time be directed by the engineer. The contract also declared "that the rate of progress in pipe laying shall be made to conform to the delivery of the pipe by the founders." It is also provided that "should the delivery of the pipes be at any time from any cause delayed, the commissioners are authorized to extend the time for the completion of this contract, not exceeding nine months beyond the time herein fixed for its termination, and there shall be no claim for damages in consequence of said delay." I was not satisfied to allow this claim.

The same may be said as to item 46, \$1763, caused by delay in furnishing the material.

51 and 52, \$200, for repairing breaks in pipes, I also disallow. The contract required the contractor to repair all breaks required by the engineer within six months after the completion of the work, and these repairs were made within that time; and also stipulated that the contractor shall keep the work in good repair for the term of six months after the water is let into the pipes, "and shall correct and repair promptly during all that time all the leaks and failures of whatever description."

I therefore disallow all the disputed items in the account A hereto annexed, and report that the plaintiff recover the sum of \$3,239.13, with interest from the date of the writ, viz., February 27, 1888.

EDMUND H. BENNETT,

Boston, January 25, 1894.

Auditor.

Account A.

In the case of John T. Langford *vs.* The Inhabitants of the Towns of Randolph and Holbrook, we, the undersigned, as directed by the Commissioner, have examined the account

and have agreed upon the following as proper charges for the service performed, provided the claims are allowed: —

For laying pipe, including necessary excavations and back-filling, from April 20 to Nov. 10, 1887:

	Allowed by Engineer under contract.	Disallowed by Engineer under contract.
Item 1. 14,368½ ft. 15" pipe at \$0.43	\$6,178 46	
2. 18,784 ft. 12" pipe at .32	6,010 88	
3. 5,016 ft. 10" pipe at .29		
4. 9,862 ft. 8" pipe at .28	2,761 36	
5. 38,304.4 ft. 6" pipe at .22	8,426 97	
6. 5,544.3 ft. 4" pipe at .22	1,219 75	
7. 183 gates set at 2.00	366 00	
8. 155 hydrants, at 5.00	775 00	
9. 1174.19 cu. yds. rock, 3.75	4,403 21	
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	\$31,596 27	
Items 11 and 12. 3,331 cu. yds. rock not blasted, but removed by der- rick and carted away at \$2.67		\$8,893 77
Items 14. Changing trench in Ran- dolph Square on account of change in radius of pipe	\$20 00	
Item 15. Unloading 16-inch pipe by order of Superintendent	1 00	
Item 16. Tapping in 3 air valves and setting boxes		11 40
Item 17. Removing and setting hy- drant on Cottage Street	5 00	
Item 19. Work clearing up pipe line from pumping station to West Corners, foreman 100 hours at 50 cts.		50 00
Item 19. Labor of men on do. 1435 hours at 20 cents		287 00

Item 22. Labor in construction of embankment to support and cover pipe at station 29, including 12- inch drain through it — labor of foreman 90 hours at 50 cents			\$45 00
Labor of men 1170 hours at 20 cts.			234 00
Cement used			2 30
Item 26. Construction of dam to hold back the water at stream crossing at Union St., Holbrook, labor of foreman 23 hours at 50 cents			11 50
Labor of men 154 hours at 20 cents			30 80
328 feet of plank			6 56
Item 30. Constructing dams, etc., at the stream crossing at South Main St., Randolph, labor of fore- man 7 hours at 50 cents			3 50
Labor of men, 269 hours at 20 cts.			53 80
Item 33. Carting earth, etc., to be used in above dams			\$8 00
Item 34. Masonry stay wall on Union St., 20 cu. ft.			7 41
Item 36. Cost of earth excavation below 4½ ft. cover at Brockton line and at Holbrook Cemetery, 557 cu. yds. at 50 cents			278 50
Item 40. Time and expense in chang- ing men from Randolph and back on account of non-delivery of pipe			489 00
Item 41. For twice carting bends, hydrants, etc., by order of Eng'r			13 90
Item 42. For putting in 10 x 6-inch branch at White's shop, not on hand when the pipe was laid			5 00

Item 43. For setting blow-off at Randolph depot, not on hand when the pipe was laid	\$8 40	
Item 44. Cost of setting plugs not on hand when pipe was laid	4 00	
Item 46. Cost of officer force in connection with the foregoing and necessitated by the delays of the defendant in furnishing material,	768 50	
September,	\$768 50	
October,	702 00	
November,	292 50	
		\$1,763 00
Item 51. Services, C. P. Binney, repairing breaks 25 days at 4.00,		100 00
Item 52. Services, I. N. Dwyer, repairing breaks 25 days at 4.00,		100 00
Amount brought forward,	\$31,653 57	\$12,375 54
Item 55. May, 1887, cash	\$1,466 37	
56. June, 1887, cash	4,288 89	
57. July, 1887, cash	5,633 83	
58. August, 1887, cash	4,583 65	
59. September, 1887, cash	3,512 08	
60. October, 1887, cash	2,659 39	
61. November, 1887, cash	3,054 09	
Item 62. January, 1888 cash . . .	\$1,500 00	
63.	1,716 14	

JOHN T. LANGFORD.

February 6, 1893.

M. M. TIDD.

It will be seen that the amount of the claim of J. T. Langford was \$24,325 29

Amount allowed by the Auditor	\$3,239 13
Counsel fees in full to date	871 00
Interest 6 per cent from date of suit, about	1,200 00
Total	<u>\$5,310 13</u>

This amount is due according to report of auditor, and is to be divided between Holbrook and Randolph.

The real amount of interest is 2 per cent, as had the case been settled before, the bonds sold to settle this amount would have drawn interest at 4 per cent.

Under section 6, chapter 217, of the acts of the legislature for the year 1885, the town is required each year to raise by taxation a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the current annual expense of operating its works. And the interest as it accrues on the notes, bonds, or scrip issued under said act by said town, is to make such contributions to its sinking fund and payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of said act.

The sinking fund at the present time is deposited in the safety deposit vaults in Boston, and is invested as follows:—

Three (3) Fitchburg Railroad bonds, 4½ per cent	\$3,000 00
Three (3) Old Colony Railroad bonds, 4 per cent	3,000 00
One (1) Maine Central bond, 6 per cent	500 00
Twelve (12) town of Randolph water bonds, 4 per cent	12,000 00
Abington Savings Bank	1,000 00
Brockton Savings Bank	1,000 00
North Easton Savings Bank	1,000 00
Quincy Savings Bank	1,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank	1,333 60
Town of Randolph note	3,575 00
	<u>\$27,408 60</u>

The amounts due from the town to be paid on sinking fund and interest account are :

For sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on (\$145,000) bonds at 4 per cent	5,800 00
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	\$9,375 00

The Commissioners recommend an appropriation for the next same as last year.

For sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on water loan	4,800 00
For hydrants and other public use	2,000 00
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	\$10,375 00

The water bonds are due as follows :

April 1, 1897	\$10,000 00
April 1, 1902	10,000 00
April 1, 1907	20,000 00
April 1, 1912	20,000 00
April 1, 1917	40,000 00
May 1, 1918	20,000 00
July 1, 1922	25,000 00
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	\$145,000 00

We have now unsold one (1) bond (\$1,000) of the act of 1888, chapter 138, and five (5) bonds (\$1,000) of the act of 1892, chapter 112, making a total of \$6,000.

EXPENDITURES.—MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, JOINT WORKS,

Year ending December 31, 1893.

Paid E. J. Chadbourne, three months' salary to

April 1, 1893	\$300 00
E. J. Chadbourne, cash paid out	15 80

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary as engineer for one	
year to January 1, 1894	\$1,025 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid out	4 67
D. B. White, coal	667 57
J. White Belcher, insurance	52 50
John Underhay, insurance	52 50
Seth Mann, 2d, & Co., insurance	52 50
Hartford Boiler Insurance	100 00
Underhay Oil Co., oil	33 46
Robert McLennan, repairs on harness, etc.	7 10
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	6 29
S. B. Woodman, repairs	10 85
Charles H. Belcher, supplies	15 92
W. G. Tirrell, painting wagon	12 00
A. W. Chesterton	28 14
James Fardy, repairs	11 00
George Ames, repairs	4 25
Hawkbridge Bros.	4 12
A. J. Wilkinson & Co.	12 35
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	7 69
Samuel Walker Oil Co., oil	4 50
Twomey & Brennan, long rubber boots .	4 75
M. M. Alden, stock and labor on house .	35 59
E. M. Mann, wood	5 00
Frank Mann, use of cart	2 50
N. H. Tirrell, glass and labor	2 50
Crosby Steam Gauge Co., gauge	12 30
A. J. Gove, expressing and teams	69 20
Cunningham Boiler Works, labor on stand pipes	49 13
Brockton Brass & Iron Co., castings . .	11 82
pay-roll for the year	388 91
C. A. Wales, for services 9 months to Jan. 1, 1894	90 00
C. A. Wales, supplies	12 29
J. W. Porter, coal	1,055 57

Paid C. H. McCarter, blacksmith's bill . . .	\$44 65
F. J. Witherell, harness and repairs . . .	55 41
F. H. Langley, blacksmith's bill . . .	2 10
A. F. McCabe, supplies	4 89
W. H. Tirrell, supplies	1 50
Walter E. White, grain, etc.	136 47
White & Crooker, hay, etc.	101 52
W. Murphy, blacksmith's bill	17 91
George T. Wilde, supplies	12 50
J. E. Daniels, supplies	85
Old Colony R.R. Co., freight bill	1 07
Walworth Mfg. Co., fittings	4 17
Cunningham Iron Works, repairs on stand pipes	28 45
S. W. Schofield, repairs on wagon	2 00
Daniel G. Belcher, logs	1 80
J. E. Nickerson, supplies	4 10
F. S. Perkins, lathe	259 76
Charles A. Schieren & Co., butts	10 02
Griffith Jones, painting stand pipes	300 00
Burbank & Ryder, paints for inside	107 80
Government Water Proof Paint Co., paint for outside	47 26
M. J. Tidd, services on Langford case	34 75
Wiley & Russell, supplies	23 60
Walworth Mfg. Co.,	8 90
pay-roll	33 00
E. J. Chadbourne, rent of stable 3 months to April 1, 1893	15 00
John Adams, rent of stable nine months to January 1, 1894	26 25
Total	<u>\$5,453 50</u>

paid by each town, \$2,726.75.

Paid by Randolph	\$3,112 20
by Holbrook	2,341 30
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	\$5,453 50
Due Randolph from Holbrook	\$385 45

CONSTRUCTION. — RANDOLPH WATER.

Paid National Meter Co., meters	\$104 80
M. J. Drummond, pipe	418 73
Thompson Meter Co., meters	94 55
Gilchrist & Taylor, pipe, etc.	224 61
George Woodman Co., stops and wastes, etc.	111 35
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants, etc.	147 99
New England Pipe Co., pipe	54 39
Union Meter Co., meters	38 00
Asa P. French, for settlement of suit of Geo. P. Niles and others and legal services	264 00
Pay-roll for the year	332 38
Standard Thermometer Co., recording gauge	75 00
C. H. Rollins, laying pipe on North street	567 70
Boston Lead Co., lead and pipe	12 30
M. J. Drummond, pipe	771 15
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., freight on pipe	122 62
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Total	\$3,339 57

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Received from service pipe account	441 00
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	\$2,898 57

MAINTENANCE. — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid E. J. Chadbourne, bills paid	\$21 45
D. H. Huxford, printing, etc., 2 years	101 00
A. L. Tirrell, damage team in water trench	25 00

Paid George H. Sampson, rend rock . . .	\$7 00
A. J. Gove, expressing and teams . . .	100 13
Peter B. Hand, services as Water Commis- sioner for year ending April 1, 1893 . . .	100 00
C. A. Wales, for services as chairman Water Commissioners for year ending April 1, 1893 . . .	100 00
D. B. White, for services as Water Com- missioner for year ending April 1, 1893 . . .	75 00
N.Y., N.H & H. R.R., freight . . .	17 96
N. F. Goldsmith, rent of office 9 months . . .	63 75
James Fardy, blacksmith's bill . . .	6 36
Waldo Bros., cement	3 60
E. M. Mann, wood for office	2 25
Crosby Valve Co., gauges	7 00
C. A. Wales, supplies	14 52
C. A. Wales, services as Water Commis- sioner and care of water works 9 months to January 1, 1894	270 00
Total	<u>\$915 02</u>

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Bills paid by Randolph joint maintenance . . .	\$3,112 20
Bills paid by Holbrook joint maintenance . . .	2,341 30
	<u>\$5,453 50</u>
One half to be paid by each town	2,726 75
	<u>\$2,726 75</u>
	\$2,726 75
	<u>2,341 30</u>
Balance due from Holbrook	\$385 45
Due from Holbrook on service pipe, labor, etc.	112 99
	<u>\$498 44</u>
Paid by Holbrook, see Treasurer's report.	

RANDOLPH ACCOUNT.

One-half joint maintenance	\$2,726 75
Randolph maintenance	915 02
Randolph construction	3,339 57
Interest account	4,800 00
Interests paid from receipts of water	800 00
Balance paid by Holbrook	498 44
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	\$13,079 78

Orders drawn on Treasurer (see Treasurer's report) Nos. 562 to 655	\$13,079 78
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The receipts for the past year have been :

Town of Randolph, for sinking fund	\$3,575 00
Town of Randolph, for interest account	4,800 00
Town of Randolph, for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
Received for service pipe	441 00
Received for water	5,383 85
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	\$16,199 85

The following figures will show the amounts received from water takers, and does not include the amounts received for service pipe, or from the town for hydrants or public uses :

The figures are taken from previous reports.

1888	\$3,282 90
1889	3,794 16
1890	4,524 90
1891 (10 months)	3,172 22
1892	5,157 46
1893	5,383 85

An increase from the first year of \$2,100 95
 And also over last year, although there are a number of vacant houses, an increase from the previous year of \$226.39.

In the figures which follow we will show as near as possible what the earnings of the works are, and in these accounts we have charged everything that was permanent to the construction account, and expenses of running the works in maintenance account.

Received from water rates	\$5,383 85
By one-half joint maintenance account \$2,726 75	
By Randolph maintenance account	915 02
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	3,641 77
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	\$2,742 08
Received from town for public use	2,000 00
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Total	\$4,742 08

From these receipts we have paid eight hundred dollars (\$800) for interest on water bonds see (Treasurer's report) ; paid for pipe and laying same on North Street, and have purchased and paid for twenty-five hundred feet (2,500) of pipe for the extension on Lafayette Street to the centre of Tower Hill. We shall be able to pay same amounts for interest, pay for laying pipe on hand, and also make still farther extensions, as we believe these should be made as fast as the receipts will allow.

The actual standing of the works is :

DR.	
To \$139,000 water bonds sold	\$139,000 00
Amount due J. P. Langford (unknown)	
CR.	
By six (6) \$1,000 water bonds unsold	\$6,000 00
By amount in sinking fund (see	
Treasurer's report)	\$27,408 60
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	33,408 60
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	\$105,591 40
With amount due on above suit.	

In closing we would say that everything in connection with the works are in good order, and for information in regard to stand pipes, hydrants, etc. (see report on condition of water works).

The supply of water is unlimited, the quality is first-class, and after having had the same we should hardly know what to do without it.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners of Randolph.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, hereby report that they have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

M. T. CUNNINGHAM.
C. G. HATHAWAY.
T. A. KENNEDY.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF WATER WORKS.

In the absence of a Superintendent, we would make to the citizens of Randolph the following report in relation to the operations for the year ending December 31, 1893 :—

PUMPING STATION.

Everything at the station is in good condition. During the past year we have had a new lathe placed there, so that we are now able to do more repairs in connection with the works than formerly. As to the condition of pumps and boilers, we refer you to the reports of Engineer Dexter and the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company.

The only repairs that we can see at present are painting the dwelling-house of the engineer and the outside of coal sheds.

The grounds about the station have been kept in good order, and we cordially invite the citizens to visit and inspect the same.

ENGINEER DEXTER'S STATEMENT.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph :

Gentlemen,—I submit to you my sixth annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending December 31, 1893.

Everything at the pumping station is in good condition. The check valve mentioned in last year's report has been taken out and repaired at the station for a small cost, and is now doing good service. The dwelling-house, woodwork of

station and coal shed are greatly in need of paint and should receive attention the coming spring.

Following is the usual table showing the work for the past year.

DATE.	Pum'g time. H. M.	WATER PUMPED IN GALLONS.				Coal burned, pounds.
		Gaskill Engine.	Blake Engine.	Total.	Daily average.	
January . . .	142 10	5,031,156	4,562,236	9,593,392	309,399	62,436
February . . .	153 15	6,091,792	3,355,968	9,447,760	387,420	61,475
March . . .	118 35	1,989,704	5,811,092	7,800,796	251,638	54,023
April . . .	111 30	4,582,854	2,751,476	7,334,330	243,143	50,552
May . . .	133 10	3,306,336	4,908,904	8,215,240	265,008	52,453
June . . .	172 45	8,730,468	1,375,984	10,106,452	336,868	61,327
July . . .	186 30	10,113,998	2,431,408	12,545,406	404,690	73,098
August . . .	130 00	826,894	7,055,734	7,882,628	254,278	47,393
September . . .	118 00	890,320	5,255,656	6,145,976	204,860	42,522
October . . .	120 25	11,503,418	2,688,112	14,191,530	457,791	52,631
November . . .	99 00	3,901,102	2,239,132	6,140,234	204,674	45,696
December . . .	109 30	6,194,668	432,684	6,627,352	213,775	50,627
Totals . . .	1594 50	63,162,710	42,868,836	106,031,096		654,263
Increase on last year				11,501,100		41,996

Number of gallons per pound of coal, average head, 280 feet, 163 gallons.

Respectfully,

E. J. T. DEXTER,
Engineer.

BOILER INSPECTION REPORT.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 13, 1894.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works:

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company makes the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the ninth day of January, 1894, by Inspectors Rice & Ward.

H. T. Boiler, No. 1.

Internally: The shell plates, heads and tubes are free from corrosion or deposit. The braces are sound and taut; the openings to water gauges are clear.

Externally: The shell plates and heads are free from fractures, blisters or corrosion. There are no signs of leak-

age or weakness at seams or tube ends. The safety-valve is in good working order. The pressure gauge was tested and corrected, as it indicated a number of pounds in excess of actual pressure. The setting is in good repair.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 27, 1893.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works:

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company makes the following report of the condition of your steam boiler, inspected on the 26th day of December, 1893, by Inspector H. W. Taylor.

H. T. Boiler, No. 2.

Internally: The shell, heads, domes and tubes show no serious corrosion or other defects. The plates and tubes are quite clean, there being but very little scale and no loose deposits. The braces are sound and taut. The openings to steam and water gauges are clear. The fusible plug is sound.

Externally: The plates and heads are free from corrosion, fractures or blisters. The patches are sound except two fractures from edge of plate to rivet hole; these show no signs of distress. There are no signs of leaks at seams or tube ends or around the patches. The appliances are in good working order. The steam gauge was tested and found correct. The brick work is in good repair.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

GREAT POND.

There has been an ample supply of water, and there is no danger that we shall ever be short for a great many years to come. The quality of the water is far above the average,

and according to the reports from the State Board, who analyze the same at various times, is all right.

We have kept the water lower than usual, as the quality is improved by so doing.

In the fall all the grass, reeds and brush around the edges were removed and burned as far as possible. This should be continued every year.

STAND PIPES.

In both of the stand pipes, the inside ladders, which were broken down last winter by the ice, have been removed.

The insides of both were found to be in good condition, were thoroughly scraped and painted, and this should be done at least once in two years; also the outsides of both were painted.

When the water was drawn off nothing was found inside except a small amount of rust on the bottoms.

The grounds around the stand pipes remain in the same condition as last year.

WATER MAINS.

The past year we have laid about twelve hundred (1200) feet of six-inch pipe on North Street, but in consequence of meeting a bad ledge the expense was more than we expected.

There have been a number of joint leaks, and also one where we were obliged to replace about eight feet of 14-inch pipe in the meadows, between the West Corners and the pond road. This is one of the worst places on the whole line, owing to the loose condition of the soil.

Also one on South Main Street, where we had to replace about six feet of six-inch pipe. With the exception of a few joint leaks, which have been repaired, the mains are in good condition.

HYDRANTS.

We have added one new hydrant the past year, making 131 in Randolph.

The one at the head of Warren Street was accidentally broken and was replaced by another. Also one near the Bicknell Place on South Main Street was taken out and repaired.

About the last of November all the hydrants were opened and put in order for the winter, and we think are all in working order.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,
Water Commissioners of Randolph.

RANDOLPH WATER WORKS *in account with* HIRAM C. ALDEN,
TREASURER.

1893.	DR.	
Balance		\$488 74
Received of E. J. Chadbourne and the Water Commissioners for water rates		5,854 85
Received interest on water bonds .		4,800 00
Received for water for hydrants and public buildings		2,000 00
Received of town of Holbrook, bal- ance account		498 44
		<u>\$13,612 03</u>
	CR.	
Paid sundry orders	\$13,079 78	
for box safe deposit	10 00	
		<u>\$13,089 78</u>
Balance		\$522 95

RANDOLPH, January 26, 1894.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Hiram C. Alden, Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above to be on deposit in the National Exchange Bank, Boston.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

1893 balance	\$925 39
Received for town note	3,575 00
Received for interest on same	38 13
Received interest from Randolph Savings Bank	30 08
Received for Fitchburg R.R. coupons	135 00
Received for Old Colony registered interest	120 00
Received for Randolph water bonds coupons	480 00
Received from Maine Central R.R. coupons	30 00
Received of town of Randolph, amount voted to sinking fund	3,575 00
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	\$8,908 60
Deposit in Abington Savings Bank \$1,000 00	
Deposit in Brockton Savings Bank 1,000 00	
Deposit in N. Easton Savings Bank 1,000 00	
Deposit in Quincy Savings Bank . 1,000 00	
Loan to the town of Randolph . 3,575 00	
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	\$7,575 00
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	* \$1,333 60

*Deposited in Randolph Savings Bank.

RANDOLPH, January 26, 1894.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have examined the sinking fund statement of Hiram C. Alden, treasurer, and find same correct.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
C. G. HATHAWAY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

DR.

TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT WITH

1893.

Paid Town orders, Nos. 1 to 965, inclusive						\$46,148 17
Treasury notes	.	.	.	.	.	45,063 89
interest on notes	.	.	.	.	.	2,439 44
interest on water bonds	.	.	.	.	.	5,540 00
State Treasurer, State tax	.	.	.	.	\$2,725 00	
State Treasurer, bank tax	.	.	.	.	3,277 67	
						6,002 67
County Treasurer, County tax	.	.	.	.	.	2,331 91
Sundry expenses:						
H. C. Alden, Treasurer	.	.	.	.	300 00	
H. C. Alden, expense on water bonds	.	.	.	.	6 00	
H. C. Alden, Stoughton election returns, 1892-1893					12 00	
postage, stationery, postal cards, stamped envelopes					20 00	
ballot clerk, 1893	.	.	.	.	5 00	
town clerk, returning, collecting, recording						
births, marriages and deaths, 1893	.	.	.	.	56 35	
Ralph Houghton, returning deaths	.	.	.	.	15 00	
J. B. Wren, returning deaths	.	.	.	.	4 00	
E. P. Linfield, returning births	.	.	.	.	25	
F. C. Granger, returning births	.	.	.	.	8 00	
T. T. Cushman, returning births	.	.	.	.	25	
A. L. Chase, returning births	.	.	.	.	3 00	
D. F. Kinnear, returning births	.	.	.	.	1 75	
T. Farrell, court fees	.	.	.	.	76 57	
E. F. Knight, court fees	.	.	.	.	303 32	
F. W. Vye, court fees	.	.	.	.	109 33	
F. J. Donahue, court fees	.	.	.	.	35 43	
O. S. Soule, court fees	.	.	.	.	5 74	
M. F. Sullivan, court fees	.	.	.	.	9 62	
D. H. Huxford, printing	.	.	.	.	2 75	
rubber stamps	.	.	.	.	2 00	
						976 36
						\$108,502 44
Balance	.	.	.	.		20,722 69
						\$129 225 13
Cash	.	.	.	.	.	\$5,890 91
Due from F. M. French, Tax Collector, 1892, 1893,						14,831 78
						\$20,722 69

HIRAM C. ALDEN, TREASURER.

CR.

1893.

Balance	\$14,353 52
Received for Treasury notes issued	55,063 89
bank dividends	80 00
of Selectmen, sundry accounts	809 01
interest on water bonds	5,600 00
State Treasurer	10,567 11
city of Boston, pauper account	2 68
town of Millis, pauper account	2 00
licenses, billiard and pool \$6, auctioneer \$2, victualler \$2	10 00
District Court, Quincy, fines, \$79.23, \$11.72, \$75.90	166 85
city of Quincy, pauper, \$14.60, \$16.50	31 10
town of Easton, pauper	6 00
town of Gardner, pauper	10 00
city of Brockton, pauper	3 45
town of Mansfield, pauper	11 00
town of Holbrook, pauper	694 08
city of Taunton, pauper, \$108, \$104	212 00
town of Braintree	8 60
town of Weymouth	135 20
town of Duxbury	13 50
County Treasurer, dog fund 1892	508 62
tax bill, 1893	40,936 52
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	\$129,225 13

STATE OF THE TREASURY.

January, 1894	DR.
Treasury notes	\$57,075 00
Water bonds	139,000 00
Interest due on water bonds	1,600 00
Interest due on treasury notes	12,00 00
Due Firemen and outstanding bills	1,500 00
	<u>\$200,375 00</u>

	CR.
Coddington Fund :	
Bank stock	\$1,600 00
Salt marsh (Quincy)	300 00
	<u>\$1,900 00</u>
F. M. French, Tax Collector, 1892 and 1893	14,831 78
State aid	2,275 00
Military aid	143 00
Due from other towns	147 00
Sinking fund	27,408 60
Cash, orders, bills	5,890 91
Balance	147,778 71
	<u>\$200,375 00</u>

RANDOLPH, January 26, 1894.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
 THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
 M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1893.

DATE.	NAMES.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1893.		
Jan. 2,	Harold Otis Perkins .	Thomas H. and Jennie M.—Otis
6,	Mary Elizabeth Rooney .	John and Mary — Dwyer
12,	Charles F. Mansfield .	Francis and Etta M.—Byett
16,	Una Eddy* .	Eli and Etta — Harris
19,	Mabel Frances Tirrell .	William G. and Hattie M.—Presby
Feb. 2,	Selina Blanch Marcille .	John C. and Winnifred — Hughes
3,	Katie Frances Foley* .	David and Katie F.—Dolan
12,	Ernest F. Coolidge .	Edward F. and Rosa F.—Paine
12,	James F. McLennan .	James S. and Anna — Starr
14,	George Pooler .	Joseph P. and Minnie
28,	Bessie Miller .	Rupert and Sadie — Messinger
28,	James H. Kiley .	Patrick M. and Letitia — Ray
Mar. 4,	Arthur C. Niles .	Chester A. and Lucretia — Randall
7,	Ruth M. Rudderham .	John E. and Frances — McLean
4,	—— Taylor* .	Frank and Mary — Dentle
25,	Louisa E. Lyons .	Emory J. and Louisa — Fredericks
25,	Jennie F. Stone .	Charles F. and Mary A.—Ward
17,	Susie M. Burrell .	George P. and Susie E.—Jones
14,	Sigfried J. Bolen* .	Augustus and Solie — Swanson
Apr. 29,	Simon O. Brennan .	James and Jennie — O'Brien
10,	Francis B. McAuliff .	Robert T. and Maggie—McGaughey
21,	—— Heney* .	Charles and Mary A.—Welch
20,	Roger Gordon Granger .	Frank C. and Alice M.—Bulter
16,	Charles E. Ware .	Charles H. and Cora P.—Esterbrook
4,	—— Clotier .	Omer and Victoria — Martelle
5,	—— McManus .	Edward and Elizabeth — Donohue
May 12,	—— Daly .	John F. and Kate M.—Thomas
20,	Grace M. Busted .	John and Henrietta — Morton
26,	Marguerite W. Baker .	Charles D. and Josie F.—Wallbridge
June 24,	Amy G. Paine .	George A. and Emma — Cheesman
26,	Michael B. Scannell .	Dennis W. and Mary A.—Fahey
27,	Sarah McDonald .	James D. and Henrietta — Shay
14,	Alice J. Tirrell .	Marcus and Annie I.—Jones
30,	Mary F. Hayes .	Andrew and Mary F.—Brennan
July 1,	Richard F. Leonard .	Richard F. and Anna H.—Braley
11,	William R. Jones .	Clarence M. and Susie M.—Burgess
23,	Mary J. Hoye .	Patrick H. and Mary E.—Heney
Aug. 13,	Edmund B. Taylor .	Edmund S. and Mary E.—Holbrook
18,	Helen Langley .	Frank H. and Anna — Higgins
23,	Mary A. Meany .	James H. and Lizzie J.—McKay
29,	Alice C. Dowd .	James and Elizabeth — Carney
20,	James Sutton .	John H. and Mary E.—McDonald
20,	Hugh Currie .	Hugh and Margaret — Troy
7,	Parker R. Dexter .	Edward J. T. and Caroline — Collins

*Deceased.

DATE.	NAMES.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Aug 21,	Anna E. Larson . . .	Peter and Marion — Twelson
26,	George H. McMahon* . . .	George H. and Margaret — Daly
13,	—— Bailey . . .	Alfred H. and Annie
Sept. 3,	Francis A. Daley . . .	William H. and Anna B.— Leslie
4,	Ethel V. DeForrest . . .	Arthur C. and Lena L.— Brown
5,	Mary Meany . . .	Patrick and Eliza— Flaherty
7,	Georgie A. Whitmore . . .	George and Nellie A.— Hayward
6,	Henry Dolen . . .	Charles and Catherine — Walsh
15,	Matthew Madigan . . .	Patrick and Ellen — Scanlon
27,	Frank M. Harmon . . .	S. Milton and Lilly W.— Tripp
30,	Frank E. Lyons . . .	Charles F. and Louise — Belcher
Oct. 10,	Corrinne F. Tileston . . .	Frank H. and Cora L.— Ross
16,	Marion Meany . . .	Edward and Susie — Blythe
27,	Edmund R. Flaherty . . .	Edward and Kate — Rodden
24,	Timothy W. Manning . . .	John S. and Lizzie M.— Green
5,	Miriam E. Panting . . .	William R. and Maria W.— Lothrop
19,	Anna M. Carroll . . .	Patrick and Mary A.
Nov. 14,	Florence S. Roddan . . .	John S. and Nellie M.— Sullivan
19,	George B. Dench, 2d . . .	Edward B. and Theresa — Kinsley
18,	Florence M. Foster . . .	Gustena and Elizab'th—McAndrews
24,	Richard Forrest . . .	Richard and Mary E.— Caire
29,	Lee R. Dee . . .	Thomas and Elizabeth — Sims
Dec. 1,	Terrance Dargan . . .	Nicholas J. and Mary E.— Lyons
10,	William H. Meany . . .	Richard and Nellie — Grady
21,	Thomas Kennedy . . .	Thomas and Mary J.— Gibbons
1891.	Mary Augusta Brady . . .	John P. and Fanny — Powderly

*Deceased.

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1893.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
1893.			
Jan. 17,	G. W. Radcliff . . .	Braintree	20
	Ethel A. Thayer . . .	Randolph	19
22,	Nicholas J. Dargan . . .	Randolph	34
	Mary E. Lyons	Boston	39
Feb. 13,	Daniel W. McCarty . . .	Stoughton	37
	Mary Murry	Randolph	35
14,	Ellis P. Howard	Holbrook	29
	Belle A. Bigelow . . .	Holbrook	20
June 3,	George A. Whitmore . . .	Randolph	33
	Nellie A. Hayward . . .	Randolph	28
6,	Sylvesta A. Miller . . .	Quincy	43
	Mary E. Pratt	Randolph	27
6,	Charles W. Cote	Holbrook	25
	Mary E. Mullins	Randolph	27
11,	Frank L. Emery	Randolph	36
	Kate Wilson (Hennesey) .	Augusta, Maine . . .	37
21,	Henry F. Schultz	Boston	26
	Susan J. Roberts	Randolph	19
July 15,	John E. Smith	Brockton	28
	Hilda A. Nelson	Randolph	22
24,	Jeremiah F. Crowley . . .	Randolph	34
	Margaret Perry	Cambridge	24
Aug. 2,	John F. Welch	Randolph	35
	Catherine A. Devine . . .	Randolph	26
14,	Henry K. Roe	Newton	23
	Bertha W. Howard	Randolph	20
26,	Leroy A. Pinkham	Roxbury	21
	Harriet Allen	Randolph	22
Sept. 3,	Arthur C. DeForrest . . .	Randolph	18
	Lena E. Brown	Randolph	20
4,	Frank E. McAuly, Jr. . . .	Randolph	29
	Metta Fischer	Randolph	18

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Sept. 19,	Mortimer G. Sullivan . . .	Somerville, New York . . .	25
	Rose M. Brady . . .	Randolph . . .	24
Oct. 7,	Alfred Nelson . . .	Randolph . . .	26
	Ida E. Johnson . . .	Avon . . .	32
Nov. 11,	Nathaniel Sawyer . . .	New York . . .	65
	Sarah A. Jackman [Whiting]	Canton . . .	61
29,	Joseph Heney . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Kate J. White . . .	Randolph . . .	25
30,	Phineas N. Keyes . . .	Brockton . . .	22
	Fanny M. Rattsay . . .	Brockton . . .	18
Dec. 27,	Walter R. Cartwright . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	Eldora E. Fadden . . .	Holbrook . . .	18
27,	John W. Sweeny . . .	Nantasket, Hull . . .	35
	Lizzie Uniac . . .	Randolph . . .	33
28,	Patrick H. Mullins . . .	Randolph . . .	22
	Mary E. Boyle . . .	Randolph . . .	21

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1893.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
1892.		Y. M. D.	
Dec. 31, 1893.	Anna R. Bunberry (Farrell)	37	Phthisis
Jan. 1,	Margaret McGuckin . . .	79 1 9	Cerebral hemorrhage
1,	James Irving . . .	80	Epittulama
8,	Louisa J. DeCosta (Knights)	56 10 14	Pneumonia
12,	Caroline T. Thayer (Dexter)	84 7 2	Cerebral hemorrhage
13,	James E. Upham . . .	31 9 14	Double pneumonia
18,	Sophia L. Cobb (Mitchie) . .	79 4 18	Old age
26,	George A. Johnson . . .	20 11 5	Bronchial catarrh
26,	Mary F. Porth (Kenney) . .	36 1 21	Phthisis pulmonalis
31,	John T. Mahoney . . .	33 6 26	Congestion of brain
Feb. 3,	Benjamin N. Hayden . . .	72 2 14	Pneumonia
8,	Peter McMahon, V.S. . .	54 11 11	Cerebral hemorrhage
23,	Esther A. Heath (Jewell) . .	82 10 13	Exhaustion
Mar. 5,	—— Taylor . . .		Stillborn
6,	Emma F. Payne . . .	6 7 20	Enlargement of liver
13,	John F. Curran . . .	6 6 13	Meningitis
16,	Solie Bolin (Swanson) . . .	31 2 16	Pleuro pneumonia
17,	Ebenezer Holbrook, V.S. . .	66 9 5	Paralysis
21,	Louis Anderson . . .	73	Heart disease
23,	Sigfried J. Bolin . . .		Inanition
23,	James G. Hurley . . .	73 8 2	Senility
31,	Lillian K. Boyd . . .	36 11 4	La grippe, exhaustion
April 8,	Bridget McGuckin (Bulger)	74	Ramollissement
14,	George E. Sloan . . .	1 10	Marasmus
19,	Bernard O'Flaherty . . .	77 3	Senility
28,	Elizabeth Johnston (Dooner)	49	La grippe
30,	Ephraim Wales, M.D. . .	73 11 25	Cancer
May 6,	Walter E. DeForrest . . .	4 11	Double pneumonia
14,	Ellen Gaynor . . .	61	Cerebral hemorrhage
16,	John H. Powers . . .	30 9	Pleuro pneumonia
11,	C. Clara Osborn (Browne) . .	59	Epilepsy
12,	Simon O'Brien Brennan . .	14	Pneumonia
20,	Francis A. Belcher, V.S. . .	50 9 22	Pleuro pneumonia
June 4,	Robert T. Smith . . .	81 2 22	Exhaustion
5,	Una Eddy . . .	4 21	Capillary bronchitis
11,	John A. Conley . . .	45 10	Recurrent peritonitis
13,	Hiram F. Wight . . .		Marasmus
18,	William F. Whidden . . .	1 1 14	Cholera infantum
22,	Florence Sullivan . . .	58	Morbis cordis
30,	Jennie Morgan . . .	27	Phthisis pulmonalis
29,	William F. Mahoney . . .	30	Pneumonia
23,	Margaret DeNeil Sullivan . .	76	Senility
July 1,	Lucina Allen . . .	7 10 25	Quinsy sore throat

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
July 4,	Anna C. Neary (DeNiel) .	38 10 19	Phthisis pulmonalis
5,	Isaac Holbrook . . .	74 9	Diarrhœa
8,	Samuel Howard . . .	85 2 24	Gangrene
9,	Sarah E. Prescott (Veazie) .	58 5 24	Cancer
12,	Maria R. Wilde Nichols .	72 6	Enlargement of heart
Aug. 12,	Susie E. Buck (Clark) .	53 4 16	Consumption
18,	Michael Foley . . .	77	Senility
19,	Seth Weston Mann . . .	45 7 29	Cerebral Tumor
27,	Hugh K. Heney . . .	1 9 16	Cholera infantum
27,	Julia O'Connors (Sweeney)	49	Rheumatism of heart
31,	Catherine Curran (Jones) .	83	Chronic institial nephritis
Sept. 5,	Thomas Megley . . .	39	Epilepsy
4,	Katie F. Foley . . .	7 1	Cholera infantum
13,	James Frizzell . . .	55	Pneumonia
18,	Patrick Hanley, V.S. . .	60	Chronic diarrhœa
19,	Bridget Gill (Cain) . . .	72	Senility
24,	Mary A. Meany . . .	1 2	Cholera infantum
Oct. 8,	Martha R. Howard (Cole) .	84 2 28	Paralysis
9,	Rose Gill (Carney) . . .	60	Acute dysentery
10,	John C. Kelliher, V.S. . .	54 4	Chronic diarrhœa
18,	Thomas F. Daly . . .	1 15	Acute hydrocephalus
21,	George H. McMahon . . .	1 26	Cerebral spinal meningitis
22,	Ebenezer Hayden . . .	86 11 1	Apoplexy
Nov. 6,	Richard Forrest . . .	95	Old age, exhaustion
6,	Christopher Ward . . .	70 1	Progressive-paralysis
23,	George B. Dench, 2d . . .	3	Infantile
Dec. 6,	Elizabeth Fischer . . .	17 8	Quick consumption
11,	Hubert H. Guinan . . .	8 1 16	Morbis cordis
16,	Celinda Fuller (Howard) .	86 4 5	Old age
17,	Harriet Thayer (Fisher) .	75 10 20	Dropsy, shock
20,	Ann Worden (Boyle) . . .	79	Pneumonia
22,	William Carroll . . .	62	Cancer
23,	John F. Carroll . . .	30	Tuberculosis

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Epittusina, phthisis, bronchial cartarrh, congestion of brain, stillborn, enlargement of liver, meningitis, heart disease, inanition, ramollisment, infantile, cerebral spinal meningitis, apoplexy, dropsy, rheumatism of heart, capillary, bronchitis, recurrent peritonitis, dentition, quinsy sore throat, diarrhœa, gangrene, enlargement of heart, cerebral tumor, chronic nephritis, acute dysentery, acute hydrocephalus, tuberculosis, 1 each.

Double pheumonia, exhaustion, la grippe, marasmus, epilepsy, morbis cordis, consumption, chronic diarrhœa, 2 each.

Old age, phthisis pulmonalis, pluro pneumonia, paralysis, cancer, 3 each.

Cerebral hemorrhage, cholera infantum, 4 each.

Pneumonia	6
Senility	5
Under 5 years of age	12
Between 5 and 10	4
10 and 20	1
20 and 30	2
30 and 40	11
40 and 50	4
50 and 60	9
60 and 70	5
70 and 80	16
80 and 90	9
90 and 100	1

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FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, SUPERIN-
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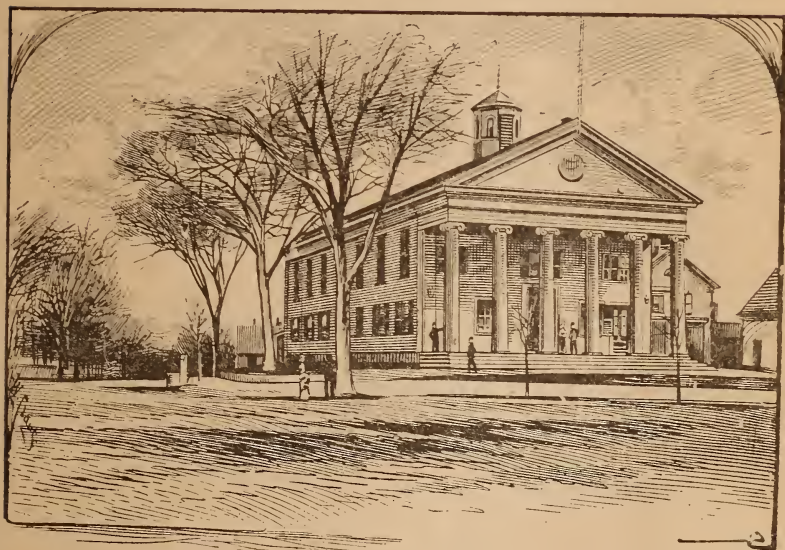
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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1894-95.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLIARD. FRED M. FRENCH.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

THOMAS DOLAN	. . . . .	Term expires 1895.
ASA P. FRENCH	. . . . .	Term expires 1896.
M. A. DONOVAN	. . . . .	Term expires 1897.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

ROYAL T. MANN	. . . . .	Term expires 1895.
ASA P. FRENCH	. . . . .	Term expires 1896.
M. A. DONOVAN	. . . . .	Term expires 1897.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

PETER B. HAND	. . . . .	Term expires 1895.
CHARLES A. WALES	. . . . .	Term expires 1896.
DANIEL B. WHITE	. . . . .	Term expires 1897.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY. THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT.	THOMAS FARRELL.	MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.
FRED W. VYE.	LINCOLN STETSON.	FRANK J. DONAHOE.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

JAMES RILEY. JAMES H. WALES.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY. HERBERT W. PRATT. JAMES F. SULLIVAN.
HIRAM C. ALDEN.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*. JOHN HANEY.
DANIEL J. BRENNAN. CORNELIUS DESMOND.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

JAMES RILEY.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

COLIN BOYD.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT.

GEORGE W. PORTER, of Avon. GEORGE A. WALES, of Stoughton.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1894.

TAXABLE VALUATION MAY 1, 1893.		1894.
Real estate . . .	\$1,563,625 00	\$1,579,300 00
Personal estate . . .	471,890 00	291,350 00
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	\$2,035,515 00	\$1,870,650 00

Gain on real estate	\$15,675 00
Loss on personal estate	180,540 00

Total net loss \$164,865, caused by the liquidation of the Randolph National Bank.

Rate of Taxation May 1, 1894, \$19.60 on \$1000.

Population, census of 1890	3,946
Number of polls May 1, 1894	1,149
horses May 1, 1894	350
cows May 1, 1894	214
acres of land taxed May 1, 1894	5,757
dwellings	836

APPROPRIATIONS.

	Reappropriation.	Appropriation.
For schools		\$7,999 48
Stetson High School		2,200 00

For highways			\$3,500 00
paving			500 00
removing snow			800 00
miscellaneous			2,000 00
poor in almshouse			1,500 00
poor out of almshouse	\$182 19		3,417 81
soldiers' relief	47 95		252 05
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	59 22		940 78
military aid			100 00
town officers			2,100 00
interest on town debt			2,200 00
fire department			1,730 00
G.A.R., decoration of soldiers' graves			100 00
sinking fund, "water loan"			3,575 00
interest on water loan			3,300 00
hydrants, etc. . . .			2,000 00
electric lighting			2,850 00
care of clocks			50 00
wiring hall			300 00
pay of physicians	81 00		319 00
County tax			2,498 47
State tax			2,180 00
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			\$370 36 \$46,412 59
Appropriations	\$46,412 59		
Reappropriations	370 36		
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			\$46,782 95

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY
THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1894.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	10,500 00

Three fire-engine houses and lockup . . .	\$4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus . . .	800 00
One hearse	100 00
Ten acres salt marsh	300 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1 . . .	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2 . . .	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3 . . .	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4 . . .	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5 . . .	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6 . . .	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Turner school fund	1,500 00
Stetson school fund, par value	10,600 00
Turner Free Library building and land . . .	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Water Works	150,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,800 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$47,125.11 :

On account of schools	\$8,969 76
Stetson High School	2,327 19
poor out of almshouse	3,935 05
poor of Randolph and Holbrook . . .	1,332 39
poor in almshouse	2,666 31
soldiers' relief	320 79
poor of other towns	436 70
state paupers and tramps	341 01
miscellaneous expenses	2,067 47

On account board of health	\$202 60
attending funerals	20 00
fire department	2,012 88
State aid	2,377 00
military aid	262 00
water for hydrants	2,000 00
sinking fund, "water loan"	3,575 00
interest on water loan	3,300 00
repairs of highways	3,563 98
paving	522 48
removing snow	1,119 97
Town officers	2,088 93
decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
repair of clocks	50 00
street lighting	2,603 08
medical attendance	291 00
wiring and fitting hall	300 00
abatement of taxes, 1892	339 52
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	\$47,125 11

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools	\$8,775 00	\$8,969 76
Stetson High School	2,327 19	2,327 19
Poor out of almshouse	3,600 00	3,935 05
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	1,000 00	1,332 39
Poor in almshouse	1,500 00	2,666 31
Soldiers' relief	300 00	320 79
Poor of other towns		436 70
State paupers and tramps		341 01
Miscellaneous expenses	2,000 00	2,067 47
Board of health		202 60
Attending funerals		20 00

For Fire department	\$1,730 00	\$2,012 88
State aid paid by State		2,377 00
Military aid, one-half paid by State	100 00	262 00
Water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00	2,000 00
Sinking fund, "water loan"	3,575 00	3,575 00
Interest on water loan	3,300 00	3,300 00
Repairs of highways	3,500 00	3,563 98
Paving	500 00	522 48
Removing snow	800 00	1,119 97
Town officers	2,100 00	2,088 93
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Repair of clocks	50 00	50 00
Street lighting	2,850 00	2,603 08
Medical attendance	400 00	291 00
Wiring and fitting hall	300 00	300 00
Abatement of taxes, 1892		339 52

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

Repairs of highways have been under the charge of James Riley as Superintendent of Streets. Included in the expenses is the completion of the widening and straightening of North Street to the Braintree line, as laid out by the County Commissioners, said expense being recommended to be taken out of the highway appropriation by vote of the town at the annual town meeting held March, 1894.

Our streets compare favorably with those of other towns, but they ought to be better; they never will be until the present system of repairs is radically changed.

We have got to realize that the change must come sometime, and its first coming will be expensive. The present antiquated method of spreading so many loads of gravel or

dirt on our streets, and calling it repairs, must cease, and more modern and enlightened methods be adopted.

The town should own a stone crusher, and there should be built a certain amount of macadamized road each year.

The advent of the street railway through our Main Street emphasizes the fact that there at least a beginning should be made.

We urgently recommend to the citizens of the town a careful consideration of this subject.

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Francis E. Stetson, labor, team	.	.	\$18 07
Andrew J. Nightingale, labor	.	.	35 09
James Swindells, labor	.	.	8 85
Martin L. Eddy, labor	.	.	1 22
Lincoln Stetson, sand	.	.	55
James Riley, team, labor	.	.	455 00
Town teams, labor	.	.	284 67
Thomas Whalen, labor	.	.	190 39
Joseph Donovan, labor	.	.	53 83
Joseph Riley, labor	.	.	14 84
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	89 45
John Lyons, labor	.	.	45 00
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	187 05
Soriana Jones, labor	.	.	13 11
Thomas Buckley, labor	.	.	22 78
James Barry, labor	.	.	18 89
S. B. Corliss, stone, gravel and labor	.	.	54 95
John Hickey, labor	.	.	10 00
James T. Barry, labor	.	.	12 00
John Harris, labor	.	.	12 00
Duncan Henderson, labor	.	.	50

Paid John Morgan, labor	\$12 00
James O'Brien, labor	38 00
Patrick Crosby, labor	12 00
Patrick Welch, labor	12 00
Thomas F. Hand, labor	12 00
James Welch, labor	16 00
James Fardy, labor and materials . .	32 56
Timothy Lyons, dynamite and expressing .	2 50
heirs of E. R. Du Bois, gravel	2 59
J. Marcellie, gravel	1 50
C. A. Wales, gravel	21 58
James H. Wales, labor	2 00
Silas Binney, labor	136 56
William Brennan, labor	134 61
John Crosby, labor	15 22
William C. Barry, labor	180 61
John Curran, labor	65 33
Thomas Curran, labor	42 11
John Dunn, labor	86 34
Michael Good, labor	44 11
Frank Riley, labor	71 61
Bernard Cahill, labor	5 50
Peter McConaty, labor	27 11
A. J. Towns, labor, teams	66 31
Frank Wentworth, labor	20 00
John P. Rooney, labor	105 39
Charles Heney, labor	27 11
Patrick Kane, labor	26 00
Martin Harty, labor	22 00
Joseph Breck & Sons, plow	5 00
William Gill, labor	50 33
Patrick Mannix, labor	18 00
M. M. Alden, lumber	3 60
William F. Shepard, labor	8 89

Paid Philip Riley, labor	\$48 33
Thomas Riley, labor	19 00
James Sutton, labor	14 00
Sumner Thayer, labor	8 22
George Thayer, labor	17 22
Simeon Wentworth, labor	8 00
Lewis Jones, labor	36 22
Noah Chessman, labor	6 00
Manus Gallagher, labor	14 67
George Mann, labor	3 33
William Hill, labor	13 11
Edward Devine, labor, team	22 56
Joseph T. Leahy, labor, team	7 00
Robert McAuliffe, labor, team	15 17
John Rodden, labor	21 67
Michael Lagan, labor	15 78
James Blythe, labor	10 46
John Desmond, labor	24 67
Dexter T. Clark, labor	3 75
Moses McGaughey, labor	37 89
Christopher Purcell, labor	89
William Hayden, labor	22 50
H. M. White & Co., supplies	4 40
John A. Mann, labor	12 00
George M. Johnson, labor	14 89
Philip Green, labor	28 00
William Mahady, labor and posts	45 39
Edward Quinn, labor	3 00
Michael Leahy, labor, team	20 73
Edward J. Meighan, labor	16 00
Edward F. Meaney, labor	3 00
Thomas Patton, Jr., labor	16 00
W. D. Hatchfield, labor	1 90
William White, labor	8 00

Paid James Keenan, labor	\$8 00
Michael Crowley, labor	10 78
John Sullivan, labor	2 00
Edwin Tabor, labor	9 33
James Lyons, labor	8 00
Thomas Powderly, gravel	2 23
Teresa Kingsley, gravel	3 43
Mrs. H. B. Alden, gravel	2 90
Mary L. Smith, gravel	65 71
Estate of T. F. Lynch, gravel	8 83
Brockton St. R.R. Co.	4 27
W. L. Mann, gravel	07
Ebenezer Alden, gravel	10 43
F. H. Langley, labor and materials	29 29
Bolts	25
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	\$3,563 98

Appropriation, \$3,500 00

Overdrawn, 63 98

PAVING.

Paid Thomas Whalin, labor	\$58 78
Town teams, labor	67 75
James Barry, labor	9 00
John B. McGrane, labor	25 11
John Desmond, labor	16 00
William Gill, labor	63 00
James Riley, labor	77 75
Thomas Buckley, labor	56 11
William Brennan, labor	12 00
William C. Barry, labor	19 22
John P. Rooney, labor	39 22
Thomas Duff, labor	11 11

Paid Joseph Donavan, labor	\$25 77
Michael Leahy, labor	1 25
Peter McConaty, labor	7 11
William Doherty, labor	3 00
C. A. Wales, sand	5 40
Thomas Powderly, sand	2 90
Teresa Kingsley, sand	3 90
Mrs. H. B. Alden, sand	40
Estate of T. F. Lynch, sand	80
Seth Mann, 2d, sand	12 40
John Sullivan, sand	1 40
J. H. Swindells, sand	2 80
Mary L. Smith, sand	30
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	\$522 48

Appropriation, \$500 00

Overdrawn, 22 48

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid James Carroll and others	\$153 32
Francis E. Stetson and others	101 15
William Mahady and others	179 19
Sundry persons	288 23
James Riley and others	372 95
Joseph T. Leahy	4 80
James Keenan	4 13
Frank H. Langley, labor on snow plows .	11 20
Richard Irving	5 00
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	\$1,119 97

Appropriation, \$800 00

Overdrawn, 319 97

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	\$369 00
Chandler Cox, care of lamp . . .	2 50
C. G. Hathaway, insurance . . .	25 00
Seth Mann, 2d, & Co., insurance, . .	124 05
M. F. Sullivan, police duty . . .	61 50
Asa P. French, professional services .	24 00
Gaston & Snow, professional services .	25 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood for Selectmen's room	23 00
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies . .	2 60
George E. Foster & Co., work on safe .	8 75
Walter R. Cartwright, damage to sleigh .	5 00
Edward O'Flaherty, teller . . .	10 00
Frank J. Donahoe, police duty . .	11 50
Dexter T. Clark, teller and surveying .	8 00
D. H. Huxford, printing town reports, warrants, etc.	498 00
George C. Spear, teller	15 00
Thomas Farrell, police services . .	57 35
Hugh J. Molloy, teller	8 00
Colin Boyd, care of Selectmen's room, hall, etc.	100 25
Joseph T. Leahy, teller	5 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	10 85
Charles Alden, teller	8 00
James E. Foley, teller	5 00
James A. Kingsbury, dinners . . .	36 80
Thomas J. Kiernan, teller	10 00
Farrington Printing Co., printing dog no- tices	2 80
Weston P. Alden, teller	5 00
Fred L. Belcher, teller	5 00

Paid William A. Croak, teller	\$10 00
E. L. Burdakin, copy of transfers	10 00
* John T. Flood, services as Moderator	20 00
A. J. Gove, expressing and carriage hire	70 45
Eugene W. Campagna, labor on voting booths	6 16
E. Lawrence Payne, police duty	7 50
Nelson Mann, teller	8 00
Fred W. Vye, police duty	7 50
John L. Burke, labor	3 00
Lincoln Stetson, police duty	7 50
Thomas Groom & Co., supplies	4 25
Griffith Jones, labor on guide-boards	11 00
E. Forrest Knight, police duty	150 00
Franklin Porter, stationery	3 15
McKenney & Waterbury, chandeliers and fixtures	17 75
N. H. Tirrell, labor	7 95
Henry M. Meek, supplies	3 55
James Keenan, labor	12 75
Franklin Taylor, labor	2 43
E. J. Meighan, watchman Jones' Block fire	27 00
John Hickey, watchman Jones' Block fire	24 00
John B. Wren, cash paid watchman Jones' Block fire	6 00
Charles Doughty, wiring Selectmen's room, etc.	20 33
Dr. A. L. Chase, services and teller	6 00
William A. Tabor, teller	3 00
Peter B. Hand, teller	3 00
William B. Spear, labor	6 75
City of Quincy, use of lock-up	3 40
Patrick H. McLaughlin, expenses and cash paid	14 45
John K. Willard, expenses and cash paid	8 12

* Paid Post 110 G. A. R., by order of Mr. Flood.

Paid Royal T. Mann, teller	\$3 00
Charles A. Wales, labor	12 35
Boiler and engine	35 35
M. Wales Baker, postage and box rent	6 33
James A. Brennan, teller	3 00
John H. Field, teller	8 00
James E. Blanche, police duty	7 50
Dr. T. T. Cushman, inspector animals and provisions	40 00
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	\$2,067 47

Appropriation, \$2,000 00

Overdrawn, 67 47

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin	\$400 00
John K. Willard	350 00
Fred M. French	350 00
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	\$1,100 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Asa P. French	\$125 00
Thomas Dolan	100 00
Michael A. Donovan	86 00
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	311 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

James Fardy	\$50 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
James F. Sullivan	50 00
Hiram C. Alden, Clerk	75 00
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	225 00

TOWN AUDITORS.

Paid C. G. Hathaway, Thomas F. Kennedy and Michael F. Cunningham

\$15 00

\$15 00

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Charles A. Wales, chief . . . \$40 00

William A. Croak, clerk . . . 33 00

John Haney 27 00

Daniel J. Brennan . . . 25 00

Cornelius Desmond . . . 24 00

149 00

COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Fred M. French, collecting taxes

1892 \$13 93

Fred M. French, collecting taxes

1893 120 00

Fred M. French collecting taxes

1894 155 00

288 93

\$2,088 93

Appropriation, \$2,100 00

Balance unexpended, 11 07

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R. \$100 00

Appropriation, \$100 00

ATTENDING FUNERALS.

Paid Ralph Houghton, attending 8 funerals from Jan. 1 to March 19, 1894 . . .	\$20 00
No appropriation.	

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid First Baptist Church	\$20 00
First Congregational Church	20 00
Colin Boyd	10 00
Appropriation, \$50 00	\$50 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty to January 1, 1895 . .	\$2,603 08
Appropriation, \$2,850 00	
Unexpended, 246 92	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of En- gineers of Fire Department)	\$2,012 88
Appropriation, \$1,730 00	
Overdrawn, 282 88	

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

Paid Trustees	\$2,200 00
Trustees, bank tax	127 19
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Appropriation \$2,200 00, and bank tax.	\$2,327 19

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School Committee)	\$8,969 76
Appropriation	.	.	.	\$7,999 48		
Dog licenses	.	.	.	511 98		
State school fund	.	.	.	183 54		
Coddington fund	.	.	.	80 00		
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Overdrawn	\$194 76

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners, contribution to sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on water bonds	3,300 00
For water for hydrants and public buildings						2,000 00
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Appropriation, \$8,875 00						

STATE AID (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State)	.	\$2,377 00
No appropriation.	Refunded by State.	

STATE AID (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons (as per accounts of State)		\$262 00
One-half paid by State	.	\$131 00
By town of Holbrook	.	20 00
By town of Randolph	.	111 00
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Appropriation,	\$100 00	
Overdrawn,	11 00	

WIRING AND FITTING STETSON HALL.

Paid Trustees Stetson School Fund . . .	\$300 00
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Appropriation, \$300 00	
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, abatement of 1892 taxes,	\$339 52
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No appropriation.	
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REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

Owing to the fact that an unusually large number of cases of contagious disease have been reported to the Board of Health the past year, among which was one case of small-pox, the expense of this department has been larger than usual. We would respectfully recommend that for the ensuing year an appropriation be made to successfully carry on the work of this department in conformity with the requirements of the public health.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin, services . . .	\$25 00
John K. Willard, services . . .	20 00
Fred M. French	20 00
William O'Halloran, bedding destroyed .	12 00
Mary E. Sutton, bedding destroyed . . .	12 00
Michael Holden, bedding destroyed . . .	25 00
Dr. Rufus E. Darrah, professional services	63 60
A. A. Downs, fumigating	25 00
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	\$202 60

No appropriation.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The amount expended for aid to the poor out of almshouse is slightly in excess of the amount expended last year for the same purpose, due partly in consequence of the continued general dullness of business which we are experiencing in common with the rest of the country.

The almshouse is still in charge of George R. Weaver and wife as superintendent and matron.

There has been an unusual amount of sickness in the house the past year, and three deaths, Charles Hawes, Mrs. Annie L. Holbrook and Mrs. Ann Brophy, the latter for whom we were obliged to provide a nurse from the time of her entrance until her death, a period of seven months.

The Overseers have had printed a set of rules and regulations, and copies of the same posted in each room, for the guidance of the superintendent and inmates.

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Paid George R. Weaver, salary	.	.	.	\$500 00
George R. Weaver, supplies	.	.	.	112 44
Walter H. Berry, butter	.	.	.	7 20
E. R. Jackson, repairing clock	.	.	.	1 50
Walter M. Howard, fish	.	.	.	64 76
N. E. Buck, groceries	.	.	.	6 15
Twomey & Brennan, underwear	.	.	.	32 45
H. M. White & Co., groceries	.	.	.	278 77

Paid C. D. Hill, groceries	\$372 96
C. Prescott & Co., groceries	260 63
S. Austin Thayer, coal	162 06
E. W. Campagna, labor	3 00
Thomas Farrell, expense to Brockton	3 50
George H. Eddy, provisions	105 07
John Wallace, provisions	116 37
Estate of F. A. Belcher, dry goods	59 38
Robert McLennan, labor	17 80
James Burke, labor	3 10
Wilson, Larrabee & Co., dry goods	3 40
Mary K. Wales, dry goods	2 47
Ellen Mack, nursing	91 00
James Gogin, pigs	8 00
H. H. Guinan, clothing	46 92
F. H. Langley, labor	26 68
James Fardy, labor	46 75
James Riley, labor	23 55
Frank Porter, medicine	27 56
John B. Wren, mattress	3 50
Ralph Houghton, burial of Mrs. Annie L. Holbrook at Quincy	32 00
Burial of Mrs. Ann Brophy	20 00
James A. Brennan, underwear	11 45
A. J. Towns, ice	50 00
Royal T. Mann, fertilizer	39 00
W. R. Panting, butter	18 80
Champion Scraper Co. . . .	4 50
Howard Randall, supplies	2 25
Charles A. Wales, labor	36 05
Seth Mann, 2d, pasturage	5 00
A. J. Gove, expressage	11 67
D. B. White, coal	48 62
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	\$2,666 31

ALMSHOUSE.

Dr.

To stock on hand December 31, 1893	\$2,656 15	
To cash paid for supplies to Decem- ber 31, 1894	2,666 31	
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By stock on hand December 31, 1894	\$2,629 23	
labor of town teams	407 61	
labor of inmates	96 03	
sale of produce	30 89	
board refunded	130 00	
Net expense of almshouse	2,028 70	
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PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.

	Weeks.
Lewis Linfield	52
Edmund Eddy	52
Joseph A. Fritts	52
Bartholomew Gill	52
William A. Doyle	52
Catherine Heney	52
Mary Farrell	30
Gerald Farrell	30
Mrs. Gerald Farrell	40
Ann Brophy	30 $\frac{2}{7}$
James Gill	4
Charles Hawes	$\frac{6}{7}$
Annie L. Holbrook	26
Silas Binney	52
Thomas Ward	29 $\frac{3}{7}$

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC., DECEMBER 31, 1894.

2 horses	\$450 00
1 cow	50 00
2 pigs	36 00
35 fowl	35 00
8 tons English hay	160 00
1 road scraper	75 00
3 horse carts	175 00
1 farm wagon	60 00
1 carriage	20 00
1 two-horse wagon	60 00
1 swing drag	35 00
1 mowing machine	25 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	8 00
2 gravel screens	10 00
2 cart harnesses	30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 pair double harness	40 00
1 two-horse sled, shaft and pole	50 00
4 draft chains	10 00
2 grindstones	8 00
2 carriage jacks	4 00
Baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
3 plows	20 00
1 harrow	5 00
Forks and shovels	11 00
Iron bars and picks	5 00
1 hospital bedstead	40 00
1 wheelbarrow	5 00
2 axes	2 00

1 tobacco cutter	\$1 50
4 scythes and snaths	4 00
Hand saws, plane and square	4 00
Iron vise, bit stock, etc.	5 00
Drills and stone hammers	30 00
Flour barrels	5 00
5 cords wood	40 00
3 tons coal	19 20
Garden vegetables	35 00
3 barrels flour	14 25
37 pounds crackers	3 70
15 pounds butter	4 50
20 pounds lard	2 00
2 gallons molasses	1 20
2 gallons vinegar	50
1 bushel onions	1 13
Pickles and preserves	8 00
100 pounds sugar	5 00
21 pounds tea	10 50
Spices	1 75
Tobacco	1 25
Grain and meal	7 00
30 gallons kerosene	3 00
1 kerosene barrel	1 50
1 stove	4 75
Wood saws and saw horses	4 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Wooden ware	15 00
Sewing machine	16 00
Ice chest	45 00
Clothes wringer and tin ware	15 00
Lamps and lanterns	10 00
1 clock	4 00
12 cuspidors	6 00

26 iron bedsteads	\$100 00
7 feather beds	42 00
15 under beds	36 00
42 sheets	21 00
15 white blankets	15 00
20 colored blankets	20 00
46 pillow cases	15 00
6 bed spreads	6 00
40 feather pillows	26 00
20 comfortors	20 00
Towels	4 00
Table cloths	3 00
7 tables	5 00
1 walnut extension table	10 00
2 wool carpets	50 00
58 chairs	25 00
Brooms	2 00
1 churn	3 00
coal hods and shovels	5 00
150 feet of hose	18 00
1 fire extinguisher	30 00
Flat irons	4 00
Soap powder	75
35 pounds soap	1 75
8 snow plows	100 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	125 00
1 sleigh	15 00
Carriage robe, blankets, etc.	15 00
Cooking range, hot water tank, etc.	70 00
5 barrels apples	10 00
1 lawn mower	6 00
60 gallons cider	7 50

\$2,629 23

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for Mrs. Julia Ainsley and family . . .	\$173 75
Mrs. C. A. Allen and family . . .	43 35
William H. Spear and family . . .	20 88
Thos. Donahoe and family . . .	60 90
Mrs. William Campbell and family . . .	121 00
Alexander Holbrook and wife . . .	132 00
James J. Hoyer and family . . .	41 45
Mrs. W. D. Barrows and family . . .	158 08
Susanna Buckley	45 00
William Shields and family . . .	42 45
Mrs. John DeNeil and family . . .	154 00
David J. Foley and family . . .	117 62
Mrs. Ellen Wilkinson	19 33
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	77 20
John Leahy and wife	177 94
Mrs. Isaac Holbrook	86 23
Mrs. Luke O'Reilly and family . . .	146 75
Benjamin F. Kennedy	25 00
Thomas F. McMahon	7 00
Susan Acherson	57 85
Thomas Murray	37 75
Elizabeth Linfield	5 00
Mrs. Emma Wood	10 00
J. Frank Beyette	9 00
Mrs. Mary Morgan	13 30
Richard Heney	16 75
Emory J. Lyons	3 00
Mrs. James Butler	45 00
Mrs. Amasa Clark	38 00
Abram G. Swain and wife	52 00
Thomas F. Riley	43 75
Mrs. Mary Farrell and family . . .	41 00

Paid for James W. O'Brien	\$9 00
Cornelius O'Keefe and family	35 53
Alonzo Allard and family	4 00
Mrs. Eliza D. Parker and family	40 00
Mrs. Catharine McKay and family	160 10
Mrs. Ellen French	5 00
Mrs. Patrick O'Connor	6 40
William H. Carroll and family	34 00
Edward McManus and family	29 70
Jeremiah Shields and wife	12 00
Mrs. Charles H. Wood and family	198 10
Children of Patrick Ward	32 00
James R. Riley	22 00
James E. Neary	20 00
Mrs. Robert McAuliff and family (Milford)	30 00
John F. Twomey, at Mass. Hospital for dipsomaniacs and inebriates	5 11
William F. Wills, at State Farm	146 00
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Margaret Ward, at Taunton Lunatic Hosp'l	169 46
Timothy Donahoe, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Mrs. Emma C. Lincoln, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	92 85
Mark E. Purcell, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	19 96
William R. Farquhar, at Westboro' In- sane Asylum	169 48
Overseers of the Poor *	333 11
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	\$3,935 05
* Credit by aid refunded	301 38
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	\$3,633 67

Appropriation, \$3,600 00
 Overdrawn, 33 67

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid Michael Lagan	\$58 88
Mrs. James D. Fox	9 45
Mrs. Elizabeth Green	60 00
Fanny Holbrook	23 00
Charles Abbott, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
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	\$320 79

Appropriation, \$300 00
 Overdrawn, 20 79

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Michael P. Dunphy's family . . .	\$148 00
Thomas F. Hand and family . . .	16 75
George F. French and wife . . .	12 45
Richard Adams and wife . . .	14 90
Thomas Noonan	19 50
Charles V. Sloan and family . . .	53 90
Christiana Sloan	32 00
Mrs. Ebenezer Holbrook	80 00
Mrs. B. F. Jones	3 45
Mary Mullins	72 00
John E. Mann and family . . .	95 98
Lysander Morse	4 00
George Kiley, at House of the Angel Guardian	120 00
Lewis N. Weathee, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46

Paid for Estella V. Faunce, at Taunton Lunatic

Hospital	\$25 54
Lawrence Leavitt and family . . .	47 73
Kate and Agnes Meaney	299 87
Albert Howard and wife	48 00
Sarah Bond	62 53
Aid refunded	6 33

\$1,332 39

Appropriation, \$1,000 00

Amount paid by Holbrook, 446 68

Unexpended, 114 29

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Mrs. John C. Welch, of Weymouth .	\$38 30
Wilfred N. Pendergrass and family, of Holbrook	125 00
Gartinear Foster, of Brockton	9 50
Albert and John Lang, of Taunton . .	104 00
Alfred A. Lincoln, of Easton	27 50
George F. Parish, of Gardner	21 00
Mrs. John E. Glover, of Quincy . . .	24 15
Mrs. Polly Delano, of Canton	2 80
William R. Lynch, of Brockton	3 00
Charles Hansen, of Boston	12 45
Francis E. Wilder, of Boston	3 00
George E. Pratt, of Braintree	6 00
Mrs. Olive Jones, of Braintree	39 00
Mrs. Frances Farnham, Methuen . . .	21 00

\$436 70

No appropriation.

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid Colin Boyd, salary as keeper of lockup .	\$100 00
Colin Boyd, supplies for lockup . .	65 00
Patrick Madigan and family . . .	89 28
John Leary	20 00
S. A. Thayer, coal for lockup . . .	13 75
D. B. White, coal for lockup . . .	6 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies for lockup . .	18 11
George F. Parish, repairs on lockup .	2 00
N. H. Tirrell, painting lockup . . .	10 87
H. M. White & Co., supplies for lockup .	60
Frank F. Smith, charcoal for lockup .	5 40
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	\$341 01

No appropriation.

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE, 1894.

Paid Emery A. Allen, M.D.	\$50 00
Visits made James Gill	9
Silas Binney	44
Mrs. Mary Farrell	5
Paid Warren M. Babbitt, M.D.	50 00
Visits made Mrs. Isaac Holbrook . .	57
Emily Sloan	11
Paid Augustus L. Chase, M.D.	50 00
Visits made Mrs. Christiana Sloan .	7
Alfred T. Lincoln	14
Mrs. William Ainsley	15
Mrs. Mary Chandler	33
Mrs. Lyander P. Holbrook .	21
Mrs. Stephen Farnham . . .	21
William Shields	9

Visits to Agnes Meaney . . .	6	
Silas Binney . . .	21	
Mrs. Ann Brophy . . .	4	
Paid T. T. Cushman, M.D.		\$6 00
Visits to Charles V. Sloan's family		
Paid Charles C. Farnham, M.D.		35 00
Visits made Thos. Donahoe's family	29	
Bartholomew Gill . . .	6	
Paid Frank C. Granger, M.D.		50 00
Visits made Joseph Fritz . . .	64	
Mrs. Mary Farrell . . .	56	
Mrs. Ann Brophy . . .	7	
Paid Dennis F. Kinnier, M.D.		50 00
Visits made Catharine Meaney . . .	137	
Agnes Meaney . . .	73	
John Leahy] . . .	47	
Mrs. John Leahy . . .	26	
David J. Foley's family	21	
Mrs. Michael Lagan . . .	13	
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		\$291 00
Appropriation, \$400 00		
Unexpended, 100 00		

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE SELECTMEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$407 61
military aid, refunded by State . . .	42 00
aid refunded	301 38
J, Riley, refunded	6 96
Braintree Records, sold	3 00
board refunded	130 00

From Silas Binney, board refunded . . .	\$96 03
sale of boiler	3 00
F. A. French, gravel	75
John McGrane, cash refunded . . .	75
George R. Weaver, produce sold . . .	30 89
Seth Mann, 2d, claim on pound lot . .	1 00
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	\$1,023 37

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1895.

For schools (see report of School Committee) .	\$8,400 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees)	2,200 00
miscellaneous expenses	2,000 00
repair of highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	500 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	3,800 00
soldiers' relief	300 00
poor of Randolph and Holbrook . . .	1,000 00
military aid	150 00
electric lighting	2,882 00
water works (see report of Commissioners)	9,075 00
interest on town debt	2,200 00
fire department	2,000 00
board of health	200 00
state paupers	200 00
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	\$40,707 00

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual meeting, March 4, 1895.:

Alden, Weston P.	Hand, Dominick
Archer, Horace S.	Hatch, Horace A.
Alden, Albert M.	Holbrook, Columbus
Brady, John F.	Howard, Charles H.
Blanche, Richard	Henderson, Duncan
Burke, James	Jones, Rufus
Binney, George L.	Kiley, Patrick M.
Batchelder, H. P.	Kinnier, Patrick
Bigelow, John	Long, Edward
Carney, James	Lyons, Walter H.
Casey, Peter	Mann, Horace P.
Croak, William A.	Mann, Edwin M.
Corliss, Simon B.	McAuliffe, Robert
Curran, John	Montsie, Frederick W.
Chessman, S. L.	Niles, Amasa S.
Dyer, J. Monroe	O'Flaherty, Edward
DeNeil, Michael	Paine, Lewis B.
Dolan, Charles	Porter, Franklin
Elliott, George A.	Piper, William T.
Eddy, George H.	Palmer, James W.
Frizzell, William	Roberts, William R.
Farnham, Charles C.	Roddan, John
French, George M.	Scanlan, Maurice E.

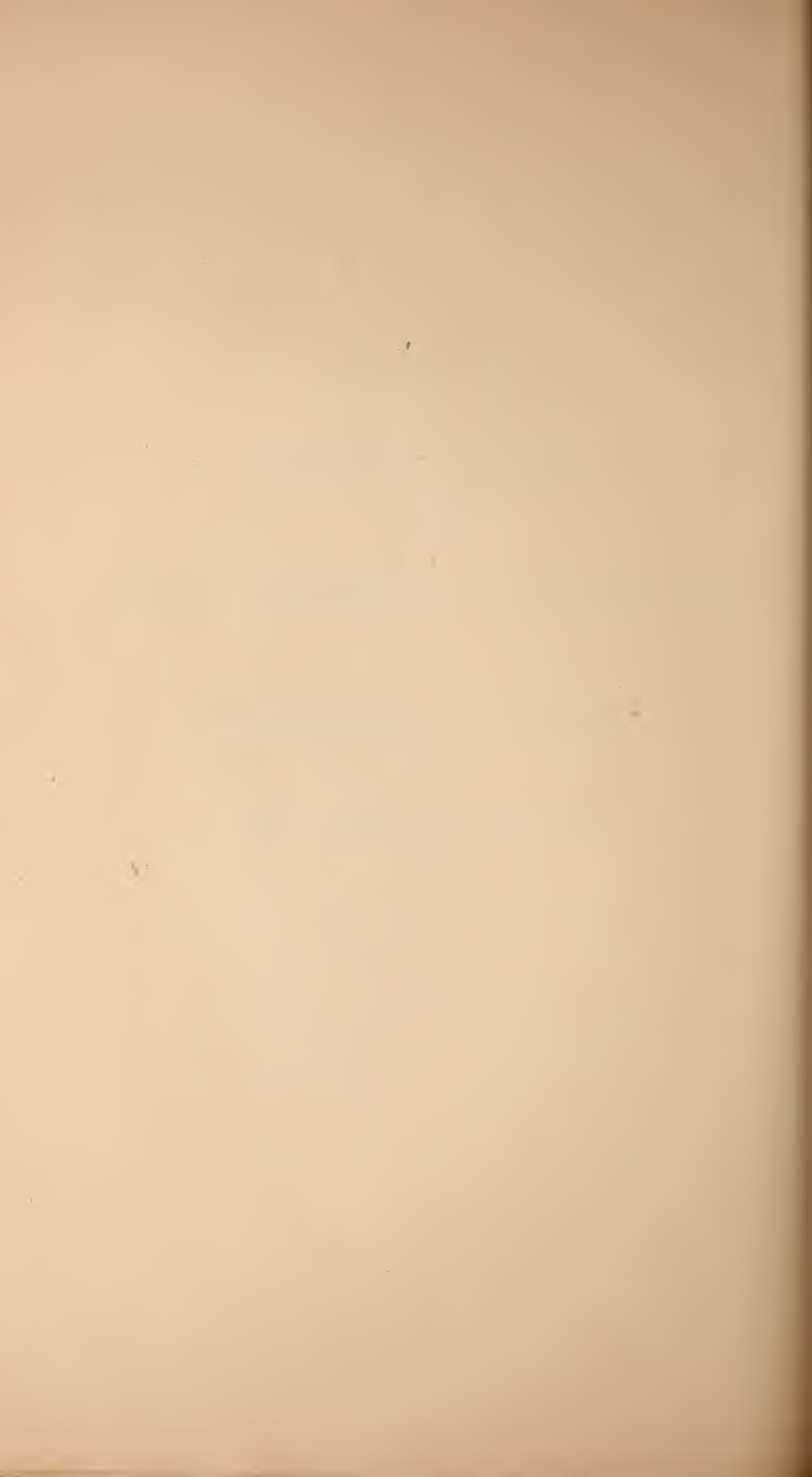
Fox, Thomas
Field, John H.
Gibbons, Daniel
Giles, Horace P.

Spear, William B.
Thayer, John B.
Thayer, Rufus A.
Wilbur, Selwyn

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,

Selectmen of Randolph.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.



REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

While the report of a school board is not designed to be an educational essay, nor a panegyric upon the excellence of our national or local institutions, it is proper and desirable that we should, from time to time, briefly call to mind, lest we perhaps lose sight of them, some of the more important conditions upon which the success of our system of public instruction depends, and to use these principles as standards by which the perfection or imperfection of this system as applied in our own community is to be measured.

The public schools are so intimately connected with the progress of the American Commonwealth in the promotion of good citizenship, of democratic principles, of that race-amalgamation which makes one people out of many, and that companionship which brings into close relations in early life children of widely different social surroundings and influences, that their careful preservation and rational development should be at all times one of the chief endeavors of the State and of the town. No reasonable expense to perfect them should be spared, and so long as they are conducted under the tolerant and liberal legislative regulations which characterize their management in Massachusetts,—regulations in the framing of which men of different races, creeds and classes have participated, seeking to make them non-partisan, unsectarian training grounds for those princi-

ples of equality and toleration for which this country is, and should remain, the exponent,—we should take care lest by any neglect, however slight, in our duties as citizens or as parents their usefulness be in the least impaired. Any blow at them is a menace to the principles which underlie the structure of our government.

Massachusetts has an enviable record in the annals of education, and each individual town being, as it is, responsible for the conduct and prosperity of its own schools, should take special pride in performing its duty in this respect both for the sake of its own growth and prosperity, and that it may not fall below the standard set by the Commonwealth, nor be the object of unfavorable comparison with other communities.

It is pre-eminently the duty of each citizen, whether he has children attending school or not, to vote understandingly and liberally upon all matters touching the administration of, and expenditures in, this department; it is, also, we submit, the duty of all parents, as it should be their pleasure, so far as the demands of their employment permit, to personally visit the schools which their children attend. Your Committee are informed that parental visits to the schools of this town are very infrequent. This is the more regrettable, that these visits afford the only means by which parents can inform themselves as to the methods of discipline adopted in school, the efficiency of which the parent by intelligent co-operation can very materially promote. If, on the other hand, the parent and teacher do not work together in this respect, and there is, which too frequently occurs, a lack of harmony in the school and home discipline, insubordination is apt to result in one or the other, and disputes have arisen from this cause between the teacher and parent which it is sometimes difficult for the School Committee, when complaint is made to them, to reconcile.

To these duties should be added that of inculcating in the child, as far as possible, an interest and ambition in school-work, with an early idea of its importance in the attainment of success in life ; and each parent should particularly endeavor to see to it that his child's attendance at school is punctual and regular. Irregularity of attendance has been one of the most frequent causes of complaint from the teachers, and we earnestly urge parents to take especial pains that their children are not absent except for illness, or some equally adequate cause.

STATE INSPECTION AND CONTROL OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

One of the special efforts of the State, during the last five or six years, has been that school-buildings shall be ventilated and heated in accordance with modern sanitary ideas, and power has been given by the Legislature (Acts of 1888, chap. 149) to the Board of District Police to regulate and enforce improvements in this direction whenever in their judgment such improvements are required. It was in pursuance of such a law so enforced that, several years ago, we raised and expended a considerable sum upon Stetson Hall, and particularly the rooms occupied by the High School. It has not been the policy of the Board of Police, in the exercise of its discretion, to impose too great a burden in any one year upon any one municipality, but your Committee has both in 1893 and 1894 received imperative directions to proceed to the improvement of the ventilatory and heating appliances and apparatus in the Prescott School building. These directions have not, of course, been disregarded ; we have, however, thus far been able by suggesting to the chief of the Board of Police that the financial situation of the town at a time of depression in business, and immediately following the large outlay attendant upon the putting in of a system of water-works, has been such

that it would have been a burden to undertake such an extensive expenditure as the contemplated alteration and improvement would entail. We have been obliged, however, to intimate, if not to promise, that we would not again ask to be relieved, and it is understood by the State Board that we are to make these changes in the Prescott building during the current year. In that event we shall need an appropriation for this purpose of about \$2,000, according to the estimate of the District Inspector.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENCE.

Another effort of the State educational control, and one which has been frequently and fully discussed both in our previous reports and in town meeting, is to induce towns to take advantage of the laws providing for school superintendence. Upon this point, we are of opinion that there can be no doubt that the efficiency of public schools is very considerably promoted by well directed superintendence, and we recommend, as we have heretofore done, that the town take the necessary measures to secure that constant and intelligent control and supervision of its school system, as a whole, which no person not especially trained for the purpose, equipped with modern ideas of education, and able to give his whole time to it, is fitted to undertake.

This is very strongly advocated by the State Board of Education, and there are now comparatively few towns in the Commonwealth where a superintendent is not employed. Under the liberal provision of the law, the expense to each town is slight.

THE CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

We are glad to be able to report that your schools are in excellent condition. The buildings have been kept in good repair, and, so far as we have been able, every appliance

that is needed for the comfort and progress of the pupils has been provided, and modern and approved text-books have been carefully selected. The teachers, without exception, have done faithful and efficient work which cannot be too highly commended. There have been fewer complaints to the Committee, either on the part of teachers or parents, during the past year than usual, and these have been upon matters which we have generally found it easy to adjust satisfactorily. On the whole, we believe that the schools of Randolph will bear the test of a close scrutiny and that they are successfully accomplishing all that can be reasonably required of them.

A detailed statement of the expenditures in this department for the year ending December 31, 1894, is annexed to this report.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

We have this year revived the custom, which had unfortunately fallen into disuse, of holding stated monthly meetings of the teachers. The general purpose of these meetings is to compare notes and exchange ideas upon matters of personal experience in the school, and to discuss, after more or less preparation on the part of the teachers, particular topics announced beforehand, connected with the administration of the schools. These meetings have been found to be profitable and interesting, and their effect is unquestionably beneficial. They will be continued during the coming year.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Waldo E. Mann.

Edward Thayer.

Joseph Devine.

Arthur Capen.

Frances Devine.

George Kelliher.

May E. Campagna.

Edward Savage.

Mabel V. Taber.
 Florence G. Holbrook.
 Judith Swindells.

Bertha Devine.
 Florence Devine.
 Sammie Swindells.

Timothy Kelliher.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING TWO TERMS.

Robert H. Willard.
 Herbert J. Allen.
 Merwyn W. Vye.
 Sophie R. Cole.
 Margaret Donovan.
 Josephine Dunn.
 Eugene McCarthy.
 Frank French.
 Carrie Wentworth.
 Arthur Bradley.
 Sarah Burke.
 Sarah Welch.
 Katie Dolan.
 Florence Sullivan.
 Clara Perry.
 Ralph Abbot.
 Walter Nightingale.
 Harvey DeForest.
 Mary Scannell.
 Nellie Lyons.
 Frank Heney.
 Henry Clark.
 Clara Mayo.
 Leo Gaynor.
 Mary T. Schraut.
 Louise A. Reynolds.
 Emma C. Thatcher.
 Frank C. Wales.

Sarah L. Campagna.
 Blanche L. Hollis.
 Gertrude F. Dee.
 Roland R. Tileston.
 Edward Loftus.
 Herman French.
 John Kinnier.
 Eddie O'Reilly.
 Thomas H. Good.
 Alice Donahoe.
 Annie Kiley.
 Mary Gill.
 Louis Courtney.
 Nellie Foley.
 Charles Foley.
 C. Gertrude Eddy.
 Irwin Stetson.
 Roger B. Willard.
 Mollie O'Connell.
 Joseph Lyons.
 Leo Hurley.
 Peter Rooney.
 Mary Mayo.
 James Brady.
 Julia L. Schraut.
 Edith A. Belcher.
 Millie L. Wales.
 John H. Marcille.

Ralph G. Knight.	Harry Eldridge.
Frank Faunce.	Ella Faunce.
Mattie Hagar.	Hortense G. Hayes.
May Lawless.	Weldon J. Mann.
Emma Jones.	Margaret Richards.
Ernest Payne.	Everett Belcher.
Ray C. Bump.	Frank E. Lynch.
Elmer W. Poole.	Esther A. E. Wentworth.
Emelie P. Schmidt.	Carrie Devine.
Maggie Brady.	Kittie Moore.
Katie Welch.	Annie Rooney.
Josephine Haney.	Raymond McGory.
James Riley.	Alice Mahoney.
George English.	Florence Sullivan.
Anna O'Brien.	Thomas Fardy.
Marie McCue.	Chester Howard.

John Heney.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT DURING ONE TERM.

Walter M. Scanlon.	Allen J. Alden.
Frank W. Vye.	Patrick Linnehan.
Harry V. Neville.	Carlos F. White.
Sarah G. Jones.	Mary B. Lynch.
John Kiley.	Josie J. Campagna.
Jerry Linnehan.	Catherine Clark.
Willie Bustard.	Henry Belcher.
Harold Howard.	Lena R. Thayer.
Warren W. Palmer.	Arthur M. Beals.
Cornelius J. Good.	Maggie E. Barrett.
James P. Farrell.	Ernest Knight.
Charles E. Campbell.	George E. Easton.
Cornelius Good.	Bessie Burke.
Clement Sanderson.	Willie Mahony.
Harry Dennehy.	Francis Sullivan.

Mary Perry.
Nicholas Moore.

John Uniack.
Anna McGaughey.
John Barrett.

SCHCOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. bet. 8 and 15 yrs. of age.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Hugh J. Molloy .	. 87	78.7	73.98	94	38	19	0
	{ Isabel M. Breed .							
	{ Alice B. Smith .							
PRESCOTT	{ Thomas H. West .	. 53	47.4	44.5	93.4	2	44	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Katie A. Kiley .	. 51	48.9	46.1	94	1	50	0
	{ Kittie E. Sheridan	. 47	45	43	95	0	47	0
	{ Mary A. Molloy .	. 37	33.4	32	95.9	0	17	0
PRESCOTT	{ Mary E. Wren .	. 37	34	31.6	90	0	5	0
PRIMARY,	{ Kittie R. Molloy .	. 64	40	35	87.5	0	0	0
NORTH	{ Joseph Belcher .	. 57	53.5	51 +	97 +	4	43	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Ellen P. Henry .	. 40	38	35	92	2	38	0
NORTH	{ Emma D. Stetson .	. 35	35	31	89 +	0	32	0
PRIMARY,	{ Clara A. Tolman .	. 34	33	28	84 +	0	0	0
	{ Sarah C. Belcher .	. 43	31	27.4	88 +	0	28	0
UNGRADED,	{ Hannah F. Hoye .	. 42	37	34	91	0	21	0
	{ Lucie W. Lewis .	. 43	27	23	85	0	13	0
	{ Helen A. Belcher .	. 33	24	23	95	0	18	0

The committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1895 :

For teaching	\$6,694 00
care of rooms	525 00
fuel	425 00
miscellaneous and incidental	400 00

For permanent repairs	\$500 00
books and supplies	600 00
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	\$9,144 00
Less estimated revenue from the dog-tax, the	
"Coddington Fund," and the State school-tax,	750 00
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	\$8,394 00

ASA P. FRENCH,
THOMAS DOLAN,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.

FOR TEACHING.

Paid Thomas H. West	\$1,000 00
Joseph Belcher	1,000 00
Ellen P. Henry	425 00
Katie A. Kiley	435 52
Emma D. Stetson	380 00
Kittie E. Sheridan	399 00
Mary A. Molloy	380 00
Mary E. Wren	380 00
Kittie R. Molloy	380 00
Clara A. Tolman	380 00
*Helen A. Belcher	420 00
Lucie W. Lewis	380 00
Hannah F. Hoye	380 00
Sarah C. Belcher	380 00
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	\$6,719 52

*This item includes \$40 on account of Miss Belcher's salary for last year, which was not paid to her until after January 1, 1894.

FUEL.

Paid J. T. Leahy, 5 cords of wood	\$25 00
S. A. Thayer, 49 tons coal at \$6.20	303 80
Edwin M. Mann, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ cords prepared wood	34 00
Abram Jones, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood	2 50
John T. Wales, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood	2 50
Lincoln Stetson, wood	4 00
A. P. French, cash paid John Wales	2 75
Michael Sheridan, preparing wood	7 00
Thomas Donahoe, preparing wood	7 50
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	\$389 05

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid Michael Sheridan	\$276 70
Martin Howard	115 00
Eleanor Holbrook	44 18
Mrs. L. T. Stetson	25 55
James Barry	25 00
Henry G. Beal	25 00
Colin Boyd	6 00
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	\$517 43

MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL.

Paid H. F. Dean, labor on blackboards	\$22 16
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	7 21
A. J. Gove, expressing, etc.	48 85
R. McLennen	60
John L. Burke, taking census	20 00
H. M. White, supplies	2 79
Daniel Kiley, labor	3 00
C. A. Wales, labor, new stoves, etc. . . .	162 35
Martin Howard, truant officer	15 00
Frank J. Donahoe, truant officer	35 00
S. M. Jones, labor	2 00

Paid J. T. Leahy, labor	\$5 00
E. R. Jackson, repairing clock	2 00
Mrs. L. Hayes, use of well, one year, 1894	3 00
M. A. Donovan, cash paid	6 08
Wales Bros., labor on pump and fence posts	4 80
James Fardy, iron work	3 25
Martin F. Smith	10 00
Burke & Hurley, painting, etc. . . .	8 00
E. A. Perry, labor	1 75
Walter French, tuning piano	3 00
Geo. F. Parish, material and labor on desks	10 50
Henry G. Beal, labor and cash paid . .	10 50
James Barry, labor	3 00
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	\$389 84

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Allyn and Bacon	\$20 40
American Book Company	28 63
E. E. Babb & Co.	11 46
Bigelow & Taylor	16 64
Joseph Belcher	1 75
Boston School Supply Co.	51 15
Crocker Manufacturing Co.	10 00
Oliver Ditson Co.	3 38
Ginn & Co.	76 86
J. L. Hammett	173 52
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	3 32
Assignees of Thomas Hall	3 22
D. C. Heath	12 27
Koehler, Neumann & Co.	3 40
Prang Educational Co.	11 20
Silver, Burdett & Co.	72 69
Thompson, Brown & Co.	40 79

Paid University Publishing Co.	. . .	\$45 67
William Ware	. . .	10 00
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		\$596 35

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid Franklin Taylor, labor and material, No. 4		\$12 63
James H. DeForest, labor and material, No. 5		34 42
E. A. Perry, labor		25 50
Charles E. Lyons, repairing chimneys .		28 63
Frank E. Macaulay, laying floor, etc. .		13 10
E. P. Clapp, shingles, lumber and nails .		54 93
Charles H. Cole, grading, No. 4 . . .		21 50
James Riley, removing rocks and grading,		
No. 1, 2, and 6		114 14
John Donahoe, gathering stones . . .		1 50
James F. Hurley, puttying, etc., Prescott		6 75
M. M. Alden, labor and material . . .		36 59
Frank E. Stetson, grading, No. 5 . . .		7 88
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		\$357 57

TOTAL.

Paid Teaching	\$6,719 52
Care of rooms	517 43
Fuel	389 05
Permanent repairs	357 57
Miscellaneous and incidental	389 84
Books and supplies	596 35
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	\$8,969 76

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

In 1894, for the first time for a long period, a change was made in the securities representing this fund. The payment by the Randolph National Bank, in liquidation, of \$200 per share,* gave to the trustees, as the proceeds of the thirteen shares held by them, \$2600 to re-invest. These shares have always stood upon our books at par, so that there is now an apparent increase of \$1300 from this source. It is a matter of congratulation that we have been able to realize so handsomely upon this investment, and it is, perhaps, not out of place here to express our appreciation of the services of those whose able and prudent management of the affairs of the Bank have made this possible.

A second change in the Fund was necessitated by the reduction of the capital stock of the Webster National Bank of Boston. Under the new arrangement, four of the ten shares of that Bank which the trustees held were cashed at par, and we still hold the remaining six. With the concurrence of the Board of Selectmen, we have purchased, with the \$3000 obtained from these two sources, three Chicago, Burlington & Quincy five per cent. bonds. In other respects the Fund remains the same, and now stands as follows :

10 shares Eliot National Bank	. . . .	\$1,000
10 shares Hide & Leather National Bank	. . . .	1,000
10 shares Shoe & Leather	“ “	1,000

* As a matter of fact, the Bank has paid a little more than \$200 per share, but we have credited the excess to the income account, and used it as such.

10 shares Exchange National Bank	.	.	\$1,000
10 shares Boylston	"	"	1,000
10 shares Tremont	"	"	1,000
10 shares Old Boston	"	"	1,000
13 shares Shawmut	"	"	1,300
6 shares Webster	"	"	600
Three (3) Chicago, Burlington & Quincy five per cent bonds	.	.	3,000
			<hr/> \$11,900

The investment of the Turner Fund is unchanged.

The exercises of the fiftieth annual Commencement occurred on the twenty-second day of June last, at which time diplomas were presented to eleven pupils, as follows :

Latin Course.

Alice May Belcher.	Helen Louise Rikeman.
Harriet Louise Blanchard.	Gertrude Florence Thayer.
Katherine Joanna Burke.	Herbert Mann Chase.
Grace Curtis Knight.	Shirley Elmer Roberts.
Mary Dargan McLaughlin.	Gordon Russell Thayer.

English Course.

Olivé Belle Paine.

The Turner medals were awarded to Herbert Mann Chase, the valedictorian, and Shirley Elmer Roberts, the salutorian.

At the beginning of the current school year, the number of pupils in the school was 86, of whom 45 are pursuing the Latin Course, and 41 the English Course.

Of the class of 41 which entered the school in September, 30 elected to take the Latin Course, and 11 the English Course. In this connection, it may do no harm to say that the choice of courses by the pupil is a matter of considerable moment, and it should not be made without mature deliber-

ation and after consultation with some one competent to give advice; we suggest that every successful applicant for admission to the school consult with the principal of the High School, or the master of one of the Grammar Schools, or with some member of the Board of Trustees, before determining which course to elect.

We are glad to have been obliged to make no change in the corps of teachers during the past year.

The report of the treasurer is hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

ASA P. FRENCH,
ROYAL T. MANN,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

DR. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT

1894.					
Jan. 1.	To	balance old account		\$8 32	
22.		town appropriation in part		550 00	
Mar. 1.		dividends, Randolph Nat. Bank in liquidation	1,300 00		
24.		Randolph] Nat. Bank in liquidation	650 00		
24.		town appropriation in part	550 00		
April 2.		dividends, Eliot National Bank	\$30 00		
		Webster National Bank	20 00		
		Hide and Leather Nat. Bank	25 00		
		Shoe and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00		
		Exchange National Bank	30 00		
		Boylston National Bank	30 00		
		Tremont National Bank	20 00		
		Old Boston National Bank	25 00		
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00		
					239 00
20.		four shares of Webster Nat. Bank stock in reduction of capital	400 00		
27.		dividend Randolph Nat. Bank in liquidation	650 00		
May 14.		interest on account Hide and Leather Bank, March and April	6 70		
14.		dividend, Randolph Bank	65 00		
June 5.		appropriation for lighting hall	300 00		
18.		town appropriation in part	550 00		
July 1.		interest Hide and Leather Bank, May and June	4 04		
Sept. 4.		C., B. & Q. coupons, 3-25	75 00		
Oct. 1.		town appropriation, balance of	550 00		
2.		dividends, Eliot National Bank	30 00		
		Webster National Bank	12 00		
		Hide and Leather Nat. Bank	25 00		
		Shoe and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00		
		Exchange National Bank	30 00		
		Boylston National Bank	30 00		
		Tremont National Bank	20 00		
		Old Boston National Bank	25 00		
		Shawmut National Bank	39 00		
					231 00
2.		interest Hide and Leather Bank, 3 months	1 51		
Dec. 1.		dividend Randolph Bank	65 00		
13.		interest Hide and Leather Bank, 2 months	2 17		
31.		rental of Hall during year	93 00		
		tax on bank stock refunded by town	127 19		
					\$6,417 93

WITH THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1894.

Jan. 22.	By paying Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . . .	\$84 20
22.	C. A. Wales, repairs . . .	11 00
Feb. 9.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	72 37
9.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	65 78
16.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
Mar. 9.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	110 52
9.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
28.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	31 00
31.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	52 63
Apr. 2.	Seth Mann, 2d, & Co., insurance . . .	22 50
13.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	110 52
20.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
20.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	52 63
May 4.	C. H. Belcher, bill . . .	28 73
14.	Thomas Hall & Son, bill . . .	3 35
18.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	184 21
18.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
18.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	52 63
17.	Brewster. Cobb & Estabrook for \$3,000. C., B. & Q. five per cent. bonds for the Fund at 102, inter- est and commission . . .	3,099 17
June 5.	Randolph Electric Light Co., bill . . .	160 52
22.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	184 26
22.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	72 39
22.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	65 82
22.	F. A. Stanley, bill . . .	16 41
26.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	36 00
26.	H. C. Kendall, work on diplomas . . .	2 75
30.	McKenney & Waterbury, electric chandeliers . . .	100 84
Sept. 7.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	5 25
11.	J. F. Hurley, painting . . .	30 00
11.	D. H. Huxford, printing . . .	20 75
13.	A. O. Daniels, repairs . . .	6 68
28.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
28.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
28.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
Oct. 5.	Frank Porter, bill . . .	9 55
26.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
26.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89

Oct. 26.	By paying Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	\$55 26
Nov. 1.	E. A. Perry, bill . . .	2 50
22.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
22.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
22.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
27.	J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	10 00
Dec. 3.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	28 00
5.	M. M. Alden, bill . . .	15 52
13.	Randolph Electric Light Co. . .	38 18
20.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
20.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
20.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
27..	C. A. Wales, repairs . . .	49 60
31.	F. A. Stanley, repairs . . .	4 05
31.	Stationery, etc.	50
31.	George F. Taylor, bill . . .	5 92
31.	D. B. White, coal . . .	120 00
31.	Frank F. Smith, charcoal . . .	7 80
31.	Trustees and Secretary . . .	20 00
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		\$6,357 60
	Balance	60 33
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		\$6,417 93

RANDOLPH, February 6, 189 .

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of Stetson School Fund as represented, and find them correct.

The investments for the fund are in stocks and bonds as reported by the Trustees, the par value of which is \$11,900, and are in the hands of the Secretary.

We also find a \$1,000 bond, of the city of Minneapolis, the investment for the Turner Fund, same as reported.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN K. WILLARD.
FRED M. FRENCH.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1894.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

P. H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD. FRED M. FRENCH.

Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

NATHANIEL HOWARD.

JOHN V. BEAL.

JOHN B. THAYER.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

ASA P. FRENCH.

GILBERT A. TOLMAN.

MISS ALICE M. TURNER.

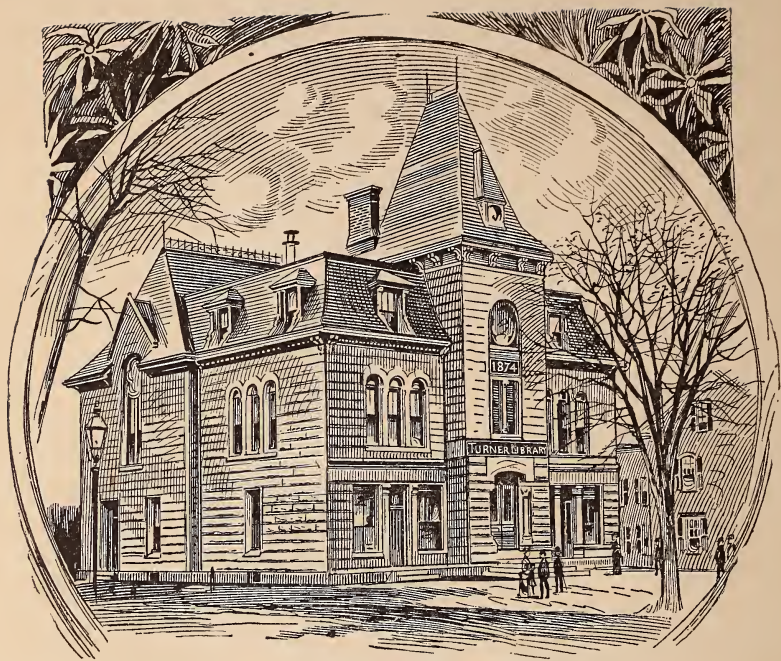
MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant.

MRS. FRANCIS O. HOWARD.



TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the nineteenth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1894.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, Nathaniel Howard and John K. Willard) report that the building is in good condition, and no extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year. The parties who have been supplied with light and heat have paid their proportionate part of the same as assessed by the committee.

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Miss Alice M. Turner and Mrs. Clara A. Wales) and the books, charts and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition.

The following extracts from the nineteenth annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees, contains a condensed statement of the present condition of the library, and a brief summary of the work accomplished during the year ending December 31, 1894 :

"The library has been open two hundred and seventy-seven (277) days, during which time there have been delivered for home use eighteen thousand four hundred and forty-two volumes — a daily average of about sixty-seven.

"This total circulation shows a slight gain over that of the preceding twelve months, when seventeen thousand five hundred and ninety-four were registered. Not that an increasing circulation is in itself any proper indication of the usefulness of a Public Library — in fact it is often quite the reverse. But when we keep in mind the well-established fact that in every properly conducted and well-advised library there is a constant tending toward reading of a higher order, toward that which educates rather than entertains, the permanent rather than the transient, then the record of the year of itself gives satisfaction. I have observed that for years past there has been manifest in the patrons of the library a constant and commendable improvement in the character of the literature selected. This indication of the cultural effects of the library can but be gratifying to those who have established and endowed this educational agency.

"During the year, Bulletins Nos. 17, 18, 19 and 20 (covering the three hundred and twenty-four (324) accessions) have been issued, and the kindness of the Trustees in furnishing these, without cost to each applicant, is fully appreciated.

"In the Reference Department a few very valuable books have been added.

"Investigation in this department has been extensive and almost continuous, and it is the purpose of the librarians to

so encourage study and research in this important field, that this branch of library work shall be made as useful and helpful as possible.

"The attendance in the reading room has been uncommonly large, and the general demeanor most commendable.

"The work of the library, in connection with the public schools, has been a pleasant, and, I am sure, a most profitable one.

"There have been issued upon the special cards furnished for the teachers' use three hundred and ten (310) volumes, while a very large number of books have been delivered upon private cards (in connection with school work) as collateral reading."

"The annual inspection of the library was made during the midsummer vacation by members of the Library Committee, and the whole number of volumes was properly accounted for."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt, P. H. McLaughlin and Fred M. French), in compliance with the requirements of Article 10 of the by-laws of the Turner Free Library, herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1894, and ending December 31, 1894, also the result of their examination of the treasurer's accounts and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

The receipts of the treasury during this period of time, as per accounts of John J. Crawford, treasurer, including the balance of \$211.31 of last year, were \$1,632.09.

The payments from the treasury during the same period

were \$1,562.10, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$69.99.

Having examined the accounts of the treasurer, we find that bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$69.99 as above shown is now in the treasury and remains on deposit in the National Hide and Leather Bank, Boston.

The committee further find that all the rents, the interest and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

The remaining funds of the library exclusive of the above mentioned balance consist of five thousand (5,000) dollars invested in a promissory note of the Town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum and the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, known as the "Turner Fund," invested as follows:

Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each;

Two bonds of the Union Pacific Railroad Collateral Trust of \$1,000 each;

Three bonds of the Kansas Pacific Railroad of \$1,000 each:

Two bonds of the Burlington and Northern Railroad of \$1,000 each.

After due consideration, your committee have decided to ask no appropriation from the town for the ensuing year for the general expenses of the library.

For the current year the income is estimated as follows:

From rents	\$565 00
Interest on town note	200 00

From Turner Fund	\$350 00
Total	<u>\$1,115 00</u>

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1894, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

At the close of another year the trustees again express their satisfaction with the excellent condition of the library under the care and management of the present faithful and efficient librarian and his assistant.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,
President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1895.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

January 1, 1894, balance on hand . . .	\$211 31
Rent from Randolph National Bank . . .	66 33
Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . .	233 67
Rent from C. H. Belcher	250 00
Rent from Ladies' Library Association . .	15 00
From Church and others for fuel and gas . .	269 23
Fines and catalogues	36 55
Interest on town note	200 00
Income of Turner Fund	350 00
	<u>\$1,632 09</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books, magazines, etc.	\$443 49
Salary of librarian	500 00

Salary of janitor	\$125 00
Fuel and gasolene	297 50
Permanent repairs	124 66
Supplies, including water	49 75
Express on books and packages	21 70
Balance Dec. 31, 1894	69 99
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	\$1,632 09

The shortage in the income of the Turner Fund is due to the non-payment of the May and November coupons attached to the three Kansas Pacific bonds.

The Turner Fund which stands the same as last year, is invested as follows :

C., B. & Q. bonds, 3 at \$1,000	\$3,000
Kansas Pacific bonds, 3 at \$1,000	3,000
C., B. & N. bonds 2 at \$1,000	2,000
Union Pacific bonds, 2 at \$1,000	2,000
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	\$10,000

The balance of the fund of the library is in the \$5,000 note of the Town of Randolph, which bears interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

Randolph, Mass., January 1, 1895.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submit the following report for the year 1894:

ORGANIZATION.

On May 1, 1894, the department was organized as follows:

Board of Engineers.

C. A. Wales (*Chief*), John Haney, D. J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond (*Assistants*), W. A. Croak (*Assistant and Clerk*).

Companies.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Steamer No. 2, James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine, J. E. Blanche, *Driver*.

Hook and Ladder Truck, Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon No. 1, Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel No. 2, Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1, 17 men; James W. Farrell, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. No. 2, 10 men; Charles F. Bean, *Foreman*.

Chemical Engine Co. No. 1, 13 men; James A. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

Hook and Ladder Co., 16 men; Franklin Taylor, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

January 13, 1894, 3 A.M., alarm for fire in the building corner of Cottage and North Streets owned by William Gib-

bons & Son, and occupied by them as a shoe factory ; building and contents wholly destroyed ; loss about \$13,000. Insured. It was a bitter cold morning, making it difficult for firemen to work.

January 24, 11 P.M., the Chief Engineer of the Brockton Fire Department called for assistance to extinguish fire in skating rink, Brown, Church & Co. Chief Wales, with a detail of men and steamer and hose 1, responded ; quick time was made to the scene of the fire, with the aid of Mr. A. J. Goye's skilful drivers and superb horses.

June 7, 2 A.M., alarm for fire in the building on Grove Street owned by Charles H. Howard, and occupied by the Randolph Shoe Company (Sullivan, Winship & Sullivan) as a shoe factory ; building and contents entirely consumed ; loss about \$10,000. Insured.

June 9, 3.40 P.M., alarm for fire on the roof of coal shed owned, and occupied by D. B. White and located beside the tracks of N.Y., N.H. & H. Railroad on Warren Street ; cause of fire, spark from locomotive ; damage slight.

June 9, 9 P.M., alarm for fire in the barn on Chestnut Street owned and occupied by George H. Eddy ; cause of fire, overturned lantern ; damage about \$200. Insured.

July 3, 1.15 A.M., alarm for fire in small barn on Plain Street owned by heirs of W. P. O'Brien and occupied by William Slack for storage of furniture ; building and contents entirely consumed ; loss about \$750 ; contents insured, building not insured.

August 31, 10 A.M., on a still alarm, assistant engineer Croak with others put out a fire in meadow land, or peat bog, owned by heirs of the late Charles Holbrook on Liberty Street ; cause of fire, neglected brush fires by occupants of the premises.

September 5, 3.15 A.M., alarm for fire caused by burning soot in dwelling on Main Street owned by heirs of the late

H. B. Alden, and occupied by the family of the late William Barrows; damage slight.

October 11, 2.45 A.M., alarm for fire in building on Main Street (known as Jones block) owned and occupied by the Young Men's Catholic Lyceum Association. Other occupants were, Norfolk Union Lodge of Masons, Union Lodge Knights of Honor, H. H. Guinon, clothier, J. B. Wren, undertaker, James Carney, shoe store. Building and contents badly damaged: estimated at about \$14,000; all of which was insured.

November 8, 2.00 A.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Ward Street owned by heirs of the late Atherton Wales and occupied by John A. Sylvester and Charles Hawes; cause of fire, overturned lamp in the apartment occupied by Hawes, who was severely burned, being removed from the flames by neighbors. Damage about \$350; building insured.

December 27, 6.30 P.M., alarm for fire in the building on King street owned and occupied by P. J. Sheehan as a cigar store and barber shop; cause of fire, overheated stove; damage to building and contents about \$200.

EXPENSES.

Paid 56 $\frac{1}{3}$ men \$12.00 each to May 1, 1894 .	\$664 00
56 $\frac{1}{3}$ men for 244 hours at 50 cents per hour	122 00
56 $\frac{1}{3}$ men for 110 hours at 25 cents per hour	27 50
for fires in Woodland, 128 hours at 25	
cents per hour	32 00
Engineer of steamer	40 00
Fireman of steamer	30 00
F. J. Donahue, steward and care of fires in	
engine house	109 75
E. L. Payne, care of Steamer 2, 2 years .	11 00
W. F. Sullivan, steward, care of fires in	
engine house, etc.	77 00

Paid W. M. Howard, steward, care of fires in engine house, etc.	\$96 50
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus, 1 year to May, 1894	300 00
James Riley, hauling apparatus, 2 years to January, 1895	84 00
J. E. Blanche, hauling apparatus, 2 years to January, 1895	81 00
J. W. Farrell, janitor Hose 1	6 00
William O'Halloran, steward and labor at fires in woods	15 25
Colin Boyd, janitor	6 00
D. B. White, coal for engine houses	61 00
S. A. Thayer, coal for engine houses	52 26
J. White Belcher, insurance	15 00
Hartford Inspection and Insurance Co., ins'ce, James Riley, rent of land 2 years to September, 1894	30 00
heirs of Mary Sullivan, rent of land 1 year	10 00
F. H. Langley, iron work	4 95
C. Prescott & Co., supplies, 2 years	6 43
A. S. Jackson, supplies for the year 1893	46 25
W. A. Croak, lumber, labor, etc.	16 08
A. J. Gove, expressing, etc., 2 years	24 36
H. M. White & Co., supplies	95
James Fardy, iron work, etc.	5 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies	4 10
E. M. Mann; wood	4 00
Total amount paid	<u>\$2,012 88</u>
The amount paid for service at fires at 50 and 25 cents per hour, as per vote or the town, including fires in woodland, is	181 50
	<u>\$1,831 38</u>

Appropriation voted at March meeting 1894	\$1,730 00
Balance	\$101 38

The Board of Engineers repeat the request made in their report of last year, that all persons having bills against the Fire Department present them for payment before or on December 31 of each year, or at any time during the year, so that at the close of the financial year (which is December 31 of each year) accounts can be cleared and reports promptly made.

The men of the Department, engineer and fireman of steamer are not included in the above request, as their term of service begins on May 1 of each year.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four-wheel hose reel, one two-wheel hose reel, one chemical engine, one ladder truck, three portable chemical extinguishers, 3,500 feet of hose, extra ladders in houses of steamer 2 and chemical 1, fire escape shute, jumping canvas, etc.

The steamers are inspected by experts at regular intervals and are insured against accident. The disposal of one of the steamers is a matter that should be considered, for it would seem to be a useless expense to house and care for two machines while we have a water supply and hydrant service that is not excelled by any city or town in the State. We are aware that we cannot get anything like full value for one of the machines, for the reason that has before been stated. So many towns are securing a water supply and hydrant service that the demand for steamers grows less each year.

This department is in need of a better ladder truck, either a new one or the present one remodeled. Is it not a matter that can be accomplished, the sale of a steamer, the proceeds

of which to be used for a truck, or the exchange of steamer in whole or in part for one?

HOUSES.

The houses are in fairly good condition, except that they are in need of a coat of paint. The need of more room for the apparatus and better convenience for drying hose at the central station has been spoken of many times in the past; in fact, it would be apparent to any one the instant they were inside the building. We have a fire department whose equipment is as good, if not better (except the truck), than most towns in the state, and it does not seem to be good economy to crowd it into so small a space as we are obliged to at the house of Steamer 1, neither do we believe it is economy to be obliged to throw wet hose out on the ground to dry, for it cannot be properly dried and cared for in this manner. In winter, when hose is wet and frozen, the inconvenience is still greater. The Matthew Clark building, which is now the property of the town, could be remodeled in some manner, we believe, for the use of the fire department, wherein could be placed much of the fixtures of the department with more room, better light and air than in the present building, and where hose could be dried and cared for in a proper manner.

FIRE ALARMS.

Much has been said on this subject by both members of the fire department and other citizens of the town; so much, perhaps, that it may be unnecessary for the Board of Engineers to say more, but we cannot refrain from calling attention to the subject again in this report.

In view of the fact that there is at present in most of the streets of the town electric wires strung on poles that might be utilized for the running of some sort of fire alarm system,

Mr. Doughty's factory whistle has given (voluntary on his part) the alarm twice during the past year, which was only to be heard to be understood. With an alarm system, even of a simple nature, much time and expense can be saved, for with some system, a part or whole of the force could be called as needed: whereas, at present, the whole department responds to every alarm, or nearly so, thus bringing fifty men and four pieces of apparatus to the scene of fire where, in many cases, one piece of apparatus and fifteen or twenty men would do the work just as well.

FIRE LOSSES.

The loss by fire the past year to buildings and contents has been in round numbers \$38,559.67, on which there was paid insurance to the amount of \$29,665.79. The damages by fires in woodland was about \$200.

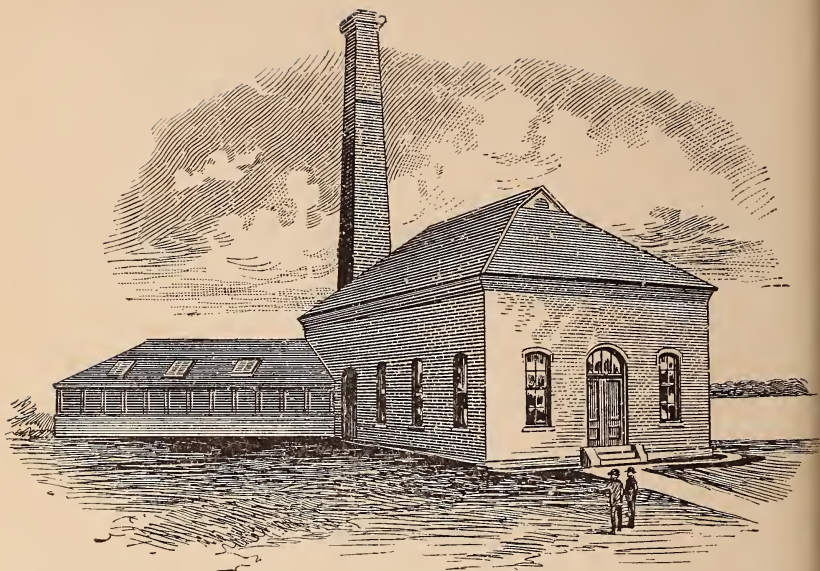
ESTIMATES OF EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR 1895.

We would recommend the same pay as last year for this department, namely: \$12 per year per man, and fifty cents per hour for actual service at fires, and twenty-five cents per hour for guard or watch duty, for fires in woodland, steward work, etc.; engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman of steamer, \$30. General expenses, \$1,200.

C. A. WALES,
DANIEL J. BRENNAN,
CORNELIUS DESMOND,
J. HANEY,
W. A. CROAK,
Engineers of Fire Department.



NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
TOWN OF RANDOLPH
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.



RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK WATER WORKS.

REPORT OF BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

As Water Commissioners we herewith present to the citizens of Randolph the ninth annual report, also reports of Treasurer and Engineer, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1894.

In presenting these reports we shall try and give as plain information as we can in regard to the different branches of the water department.

At the commencement of the year, at a joint meeting of the Commissioners of the two towns, Frank G. Morse was chosen chairman, and C. A. Wales, clerk of the joint boards.

The Commissioners voted to still retain the services of E. J. T. Dexter as Engineer at the pumping station, and we think we made no mistake, as we have always found him faithful, and station and pumping machinery in order.

In regard to the claim of J. T. Langford, there is no change since last year. We are willing at any time to settle this claim as awarded by Judge Bennett. We have heard nothing from J. T. Langford. We give below the letter received from Messrs. Gaston & Snow and their opinion in regard to the case :

BOSTON, Jan. 30, 1895.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph and Holbrook :

Gentlemen,—The claim sued upon by Mr. Langford, in which the towns of Randolph and Holbrook were and are defendants, amounted to \$24,325.29. The suit was brought on February 27, 1888, and contest made by the towns,

except as to \$3,239.13, which sum they admitted to be due. Hon. Edmund H. Bennett was appointed auditor by the court, and, the case was heard by him as auditor, and, after many hearings extending over much time, he made a report, a copy of which we have had the honor to send you heretofore, which in substance reported that the towns owed Mr. Langford the sum of \$3,239.13, and interest from the date of the writ, exactly the sum admitted to be due. He further reported that if Mr. Langford were correct in his view of the law, and in his claims as to how the stone should be measured, and as to how the contract should be construed, then his claim was the sum of \$12,375.54, and interest from February 27, 1888. The report of Judge Bennett was returned to the Superior Court for the County of Middlesex on January 17, 1894, and no action has ever been taken by either party in the case since that time.

It has been our opinion, and it is our opinion today, that it is policy for the defendants to allow the case to remain without further action at present. Of course any amount which will ultimately, in case of trial, be found due the contractor, will carry interest from the date of the writ, but we call your attention to the fact that the interest will be largely offset by the saving of interest upon the bonds which the towns would have to sell in order to pay the claim. The interest upon the amount of the verdict, whenever given, will be at the rate of six per cent per annum; the interest saved by the towns upon their bonds is at the rate of four per cent per annum; so that the net cost to the towns of allowing this case to remain in its present condition is only two per cent per annum.

We are, very truly yours,

GASTON & SNOW.

The amount due for legal services on the case of J. T. Langford before Judge Bennett and other legal service since

April, 1889, is eight hundred and seventy-one dollars and ninety cents (\$871.90). This amount will be settled before this report is received, each town paying one-half.

SINKING FUND.

The sinking fund at the present time is deposited in the Satety Deposit Vaults in Boston, and is invested as follows :

Three (3) Fitchburg Railroad bonds, 4½ per cent	\$3,000 00
Three (3) Old Colony Railroad bonds, 4 per cent	3,000 00
One (1) Maine Central bond, 6 per cent	500 00
Fifteen (15) Town of Randolph water bonds, 4 per cent	15,000 00
Abington Savings Bank	1,000 00
Brockton Savings Bank	1,000 00
North Easton Savings Bank	1,000 00
Quincy Savings Bank	1,000 00
Four (4) city of Cleveland bonds, 4 per cent	4,000 00
Town of Randolph note, 4 per cent	1,481 67
Interest on Savings Banks	240 00
Randolph Savings Bank	494 38
Total	<u>\$31,716 05</u>

The amounts due from the town to be paid on sinking fund and interest accounts are :

For sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on \$141,000 bonds at 4 per cent	5,640 00
	<u>\$9,215 00</u>

Under section 6, chapter 217, of the acts of the Legislature for the year 1885, the town is required each year to raise by taxation a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the current annual expenses of operating its works. And the interest as it accrues on the notes, bonds, or scrip issued under said act

by said town, is to make such contributions to its sinking fund and payments on the principal as may be required under the provisions of said act.

The commissioners recommend an appropriation for the ensuing year :

For sinking funds	\$3,575 00
For interest on water loan	3,500 00
For hydrants and other public uses	2,000 00
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	\$9,075 00

The actual standing of the water works is :

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To \$141,000 water bonds sold	\$141,000 00
Amount due J. P. Langford (unknown)	

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By four (4) \$1,000 water bonds unsold	\$4,000 00
Amount in sinking fund (see Treasurer's report)	31,716 05
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	35,716 05
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	\$105,283 95

With amount due on above suit.

The water bonds are due as follows :

April 1, 1897	\$10,000 00
April 1, 1902	10,000 00
April 1, 1907	20,000 00
April 1, 1912	20,000 00
April 1, 1917	40,000 00
May 1, 1918	20,000 00
July 1, 1922	25,000 00
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Total	\$145,000 00

We have unsold at the present time four (4) bonds (\$1,000) of the acts of 1892, chapter 112, making a total of \$4,000.

We have sold the last year two (2) bonds \$1,000 each for which we received \$2,093.00, which amount was used towards the extensions on Lafayette, Gold, High and North Streets.

EXPENDITURES.—MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, JOINT WORKS,

For the Year ending December 31, 1894.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary for 1 year as engineer	\$1,100 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid out	2 00
J. White Belcher, insurance on station and house	56 35
John Underhay, insurance on station	52 50
Seth Mann, 2d, & Co., insurance on station	52 50
D. B. White, coal	1,331 84
Dalton & Ingersoll Co., boiler for house	33 80
John B. Thayer, repair of brick work under coal shed	25 50
Underhay Oil Co., oil	58 87
N.Y., N.H. & Hartford R.R. Co., freight	7 34
Edwin M. Mann, wood for station	5 00
R. McLennan, repairs on harness, etc.	4 80
Jesse Tabor, labor at station	12 00
Charles Cole, labor at station	5 00
James Fardy, blacksmith's bill	14 85
Joshua Hunt, manure and labor at station	40 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., suction for pump and supplies	50 92
Star Pipe Co., asbestos clamp	5 00

Paid A. W. Chesterton & Co., supplies . . .	\$12 80
S. S. Vinal, supplies . . .	3 50
F. H. Langley, blacksmith's bill . . .	26 61
A. J. Gove, express bill and teams . . .	69 85
Mann Bros., supplies . . .	6 40
Chas. Prescott & Co., supplies . . .	11 88
Jos. Breck & Sons, supplies . . .	10 00
Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies . . .	7 80
Hawkbridge Bros., supplies . . .	20 29
C. A. Wales, supplies . . .	14 15
Pay-roll for year ending Dec. 31, 1894 . . .	488 50
C. A. Wales, services for year ending Dec. 31, 1894 . . .	120 00
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	\$3,650 05 .

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid John W. Porter, coal . . .	\$714 79
Gleason & Bailey Co., grate for boiler . . .	138 59
Walter E. White, grain, etc. . .	46 70
White & Crooker, hay and grain . . .	97 20
Chas. W. Paine, rent of stable . . .	16 05
Richard Adams, rent of stable . . .	13 50
F. J. Wetherell, repairs on harness . . .	7 21
C. H. McCarter, blacksmith's bill . . .	7 75
M. Murphy, blacksmith's bill . . .	3 00
F. R. Churchill, supplies . . .	3 40
Edward Brewer, supplies . . .	1 66
Frank G. Morse, supplies . . .	1 50
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	\$1,051 35
Paid by Randolph . . .	\$3,650 05
by Holbrook . . .	1,051 35
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	\$4,701 40

One-half to be paid by each town	\$2,350 70
Paid by Holbrook	1,051 35
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	\$1,299 35
Labor on service pipes in Holbrook, bill paid by	
Randolph	110 59
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	\$1,409 94
Due Holbrook one-half price received for horse	
sold, \$100.00	50 00
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	\$1,359 94

Balance due Randolph from Holbrook and paid, see Treasurer's report.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.—RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid M. J. Drummond, pipe	\$739 44
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and gates	291 22
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches,	
bends, gate boxes, etc.	68 08
Fitz, Dana & Co., lead	43 10
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse, etc.	39 70
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., freight on pipe,	
hydrants, etc.	179 32
Frank Macauley, damage to horse on Gold	
Street	25 00
Goodale, Winslow & Co., jute packing	10 28
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening drills and	
tools	14 25
Gilchrist & Taylor, pipe, fittings, etc.	129 49
George Woodman, stop and waste, etc.	90 45
Waldo Bros., cement	2 45
Chadwick Lead Co., lead and pipe	101 25
M. M. Alden, lumber and labor	14 15

Paid F. H. Langley, blacksmith bill	\$24 20
James Fardy, blacksmith bill	12 05
A. J. Gove, expressing and use of wagon .	10 05
C. A. Wales, soldering connections, solder and supplies	25 43
Pay-roll for the year	3,137 07
Total	<u>\$4,956 98</u>

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT. — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Peter B. Hand, services as Water Commis- sioner for year ending April 1, 1894 .	\$100 00
Daniel B. White, services as Water Com- missioner for year ending April 1, 1894 .	75 00
Daniel H. Huxford, printing, etc. . . .	48 25
E. M. Mann, wood for office	2 25
Allen Bros., stamp	3 00
N. F. Goldsmith, rent of office 18 months to Oct. 1, 1894	127 50
A. J. Gove, expressing and use of wagon .	43 55
C. A. Wales, services as Water Commis- sioner and care of water works 1 year to Jan. 1, 1895	420 00
Total	<u>\$819 55</u>

RANDOLPH ACCOUNT.

Received from Town of Randolph for sinking fund	\$3,575 00
Town of Randolph for interest account	3,300 00
Town of Randolph for hydrants and public buildings, etc. .	2,000 00

Received from Service pipes	\$502 12
Water rates	5,580 45
Extra labor	31 45
Sale of horse	100 00
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	\$15,089 02
Sale of two (2) \$1,000 bonds . .	2,093 00
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	\$17,182 02
Paid for one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) joint maintenance . .	\$2,350 70
Randolph maintenance	819 55
Randolph construction	4,956 98
Interest on water bonds	5,420 00
Balance due from Holbrook	1,359 94
Holbrook one half price received for horse, \$100	50 00
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	\$14,957 17

Orders drawn on treasurer, see (Treasurer's report) Nos. 656 to 729 \$14,957 17

The receipts for water the first year were :

1888	\$3,282 90
1893	5,383 85
1894	5,580 45

Although at the first of the year we were under the cloud that overspread the whole country, and losing a large number of water takers, among them a number of the largest, we are glad to still show an increase over last year of one hundred and ninety-six dollars (\$196.00), with a still better prospect for the year to come.

As near as possible we give the actual earnings of the works for the last year. This does not include the construction account, but is the expenses of pumping station and maintenance account.

Received from water rates	\$5,580 45
By one-half joint maintenance account \$2,350 70	
By Randolph maintenance account	819 55
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	\$3,170 25
Actual earnings	\$2,410 20
Received from town hydrants, public uses, etc.	2,000 00
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Total	\$4,410 20

From the receipts for water rates the last year we have paid towards the interest account on the water bonds twenty-one hundred and twenty dollars (\$2,120.00). Also the balance over the amounts received from sale of two bonds; \$2,093 for the extensions on Lafayette, Gold and High Streets, and for a short addition on North Street, which finishes that street to the Braintree line. The cost of these extensions is given as near as possible.

In the extension at Tower Hill we encountered a large amount of ledge and for almost the whole distance many boulders, which required a great deal of blasting, and for most of the way very hard digging.

On account of the large number of our citizens who were without employment, the commissioners decided to try the experiment of making these extensions with our own citizens.

Every person residing in the town was given work, and of the amount paid for labor only \$117.25 was paid to three men who assisted our own men (Joe and Tom) in laying the pipe.

The price paid was fifteen cents per foot for digging, and two dollars per day, or twenty-cents per hour, for all other labor.

The pipe used was 6-inch of from 300 to 340 pounds per length (12 feet). This was laid four and one-half feet to top.

EXTENSION OF LAFAYETTE, GOLD AND HIGH STREETS.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 4,500 feet 6-inch pipe	\$1,474 78
Chapman Valve Co., 7 hydrants	220 94
Chapman Valve Co., 3 gates	40 86
Builders Iron Foundry Co., 11 branches	49 00
3 gate boxes, $\frac{1}{8}$ bends and sleeves	25 25
Fitz, Dana & Co., lead	43 10
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse, etc.	35 70
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	56 66
Goodale, Winslow & Co., jute packing	4 42
M. M. Alden, lumber and labor	14 15
F. H. Langley, sharpening drills and tools	28 20
James Fardy, sharpening drills and tools	11 25
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening drills, etc.	14 25
Frank Macauley, damage to horse	25 00
Adam F. Jones, carting pipes and logs	20 10
Andrew Hayes, kerosene, globe, etc.	7 90
Joseph Jones, wood	4 00
H. F. Faunce, labor with team and damage to fence	14 00
William Mahady, labor and team work	78 60
William Gill, labor	72 00
M. Holden, labor	74 70
Michael Good, labor	63 00
James Barry, labor, Pleasant St.	31 60
John Roddan, labor	21 50
James Dumphy, labor	33 00
John Deane, labor	37 40
John Sheehan, labor	64 50
— Sheehan, labor	54 20
John Harris, labor	49 25
John Curran, labor	6 40

Paid Edward Quinn, labor	. . .	19 30
Walter Sullivan, labor	. . .	54 00
Soriano Jones, labor	. . .	46 27
Elbridge Jones, labor	. . .	54 40
Peter B. Hand, labor	. . .	49 00
James Barry, labor, Lafayette Street	. . .	7 00
D. T. Clark, labor	. . .	24 00
R. Forrest, labor	. . .	42 00
Michael Crowley, labor	. . .	22 00
Peter Peterson, labor	. . .	8 80
Peter Kloussan, labor	. . .	16 70
Peter Lawson, labor	. . .	14 20
Owen Cox, labor	. . .	26 15
William Dorr, labor	. . .	56 55
John Morgan, labor	. . .	34 00
James Hoyer, labor	. . .	19 00
J. Boyle, labor	. . .	15 20
P. Shields, labor	. . .	5 00
P. McConaty, labor	. . .	35 90
John Sylvester & Son, labor	. . .	19 50
John Forrest, labor	. . .	1 60
M. Lagan, labor	. . .	28 75
Wm. Leahey, labor	. . .	16 20
Thomas Patten, labor	. . .	29 00
William F. Shepard, labor	. . .	30 30
Martin Harty, labor	. . .	12 00
Patrick Crosby, labor	. . .	6 00
P. Maloney, labor	. . .	29 63
— Flaherty, labor	. . .	7 50
William Devine, labor	. . .	38 25
William Hurley, labor	. . .	4 00
— McAuliffe, labor	. . .	4 00
Twomey Bros., labor	. . .	21 10
P. Manix, labor	. . .	30 20

Paid John O'Keefe, labor	\$19 13
Thomas Donahue, labor	22 00
Purcell Bros., labor	57 80
Thomas Hency, labor	30 20
C. Purcell, labor	36 40
— Welsh, labor	49 00
James O'Brien, labor	30 00
C. A. Herne, labor	16 60
P. Riley, labor	1 50
W. Robinson, labor	47 70
R. Hamilton, labor	47 60
B. Purcell, labor	13 15
John Desmond, labor	49 25
Joseph Crosby, labor	16 00
Edward Meighan, labor	36 45
James Lyons, labor	33 55
Antonio Dirosa, labor	76 50
— Tommaso, labor	59 50
Fred —, labor	52 50
Henry —, labor	56 00
Total	<hr/> \$4,254 04

We had on hand at the first of the year twenty-five hundred (2500) feet six (6) inch pipe, paid for last year. See report of bill of M. J. Drummond and freight bill, eight hundred and ninety three dollars and seventy-seven cents (\$893.77), which was used on this extension.

We have taken water on this extension nine (9) houses, one (1) schoolhouse and one (1) greenhouse, and have a number more who will take water in the spring.

This extension runs from in front of the residence of James Carroll and extends through Lafayette and High Streets to opposite the late Jacob Niles' store, down High Street to a

point between the residence of Mr. Dickey and C. Edson Tucker, and up Gold Street to the residence of Rufus Jones.

EXTENSION ON NORTH STREET.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 850 feet pipe (6 in.) .	\$263 50
Chapman Valve Co., 1 hydrant, gate and box, branch	55 24
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	18 45
Goodale, Winslow & Co., jute packing .	2 25
Rend rock	2 50
John Harris, labor	11 45
J. Welsh, labor	7 50
C. Purcell, labor	11 45
James Barry, labor	8 45
P. McConaty	1 65
John P. Rooney	8 40
Thomas Duff	10 50
James Hoyer	8 45
John Sylvester & Son	10 90
W. Robinson	11 05
John Curran	8 55
Timothy Curran	6 15
John Morgan	9 25
M. Crowley	15 00
W. F. Shepard	7 35
Martin Harty	9 95
William Gill	11 05
Edward Quinn	9 35
Soriano Jones	10 10
William Brennan	8 75
Wm. C. Barry	10 50
Thomas Buckley	11 05
Joseph Donovan	11 50

Paid Frank Riley	\$9 15
William Mahady, labor and team	15 50
John Dunn	7 05
Peter B. Hand	12 00
J. Monroe Dyer	10 00
Antonio Dirosa	13 25
Tommaseo Dirosa	10 50
John ———	8 75
Total.	<hr/> \$646 490

This extension finishes North Street to the Braintree line. Commencing in front of the residence of J. Monroe Dyer, we have four (4) water takers and one (1) hydrant on this extension.

It is almost impossible to give the cost of making extensions. In order to give the citizens a chance to compare the cost of these extensions with what it would have been done by contract, we give price per foot on these extensions including what would have been furnished by contractor, also the cost of the last extension done by contract on North Street last year:

Tower Hill Extension, 4500 ft., 53½c. per foot .	\$2,407 50
North Street Extension, 850 ft., 38½c. per foot .	327 25
North Street Extension last year by contract,	
C. H. Rollins, contractor, 624 ft., 91⅝c. per ft.,	573 04

This work has been done in as thorough a manner as possible, and the streets left in as good condition as possible, and up to the present time we have not had a single leak.

As to whether we made a mistake in doing this work by our own citizens, we will leave the citizens of the town to judge.

We have on hand about one hundred and fifty (150) feet

of 6-inch pipe, two hydrants, and pipes and various pieces in case of breaks.

There have been made up to the present time six hundred and twenty-five connections to the main pipe. This includes fountains, public buildings, etc.

At the July payment we had five hundred and forty-three (543) water takers.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,
Water Commissioners.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, hereby report that they have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS F. KENNEDY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

The station is in good order, and also pumps, boilers, etc. As to their condition we refer you to the reports of Engineer Dexter and the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company.

The only repairs needed at present are painting coal sheds and house of the engineer.

Mr. Dexter, being a first-class machinist, has built during the year a heater, by which the temperature of the feed water for the boiler has been increased from 120 degrees to 198 degrees, thereby saving in the consumption of coal. Also, with the lathe purchased last year, he has made many little repairs which has saved expense.

In our joint maintenance account the charges for coal will be seen to be much larger than last year. The reason for this is that during the coal strike last summer we ran very short of coal and were obliged to take what we could get, some not as good quality as we generally use.

As soon as the strike was over and prices of coal lower, we thought best to always keep a supply on hand, and at the first of the year, when this report is presented, we had enough to last two or three months.

The grounds around the station needed some more expense than last year, as not much had been expended for two or three years, and on account of the gravelly nature of the soil the moss and weeds had begun to appear. We try at all times to keep the station and surroundings in good order,

and the visitors, of whom we have to report more of than our own citizens, always speak well of station, grounds and pond.

We cordially invite strangers and especially the citizens of both towns to visit and inspect the same.

REPORT OF E. J. T. DEXTER.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph :

Gentlemen,—I submit to you my seventh annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending December 31, 1894.

Everything at the station is in first-class condition. During the last two months the engines and pumps have undergone a thorough overhauling, and with the exception of a new set of rubber valves for the Gaskill pump which are now being made; and when put in place of the old ones, I see no reason why they are not just as good as when they were set up.

We have also made some improvements in the piping, resulting in a gain of 88° temperature of feed water, raising the same from 110° to 198° by utilizing waste products. I would again call attention to the great need of paint on the outside of the buildings at the pond.

Following is the usual table showing the consumption of water for the year:

DATE.	Water pumped, gallons.	Daily average, gallons.	Coal used, pounds.	Daily average coal, pounds.
January	6,310,512	203,565	53,758	1,734
February	5,815,832	207,708	46,352	1,655
March	6,200,062	206,669	51,137	1,704
April	5,691,742	227,670	43,008	1,720
May	9,107,024	303,567	59,704	1,990
June	11,563,474	398,764	70,699	2,434
July	14,492,128	467,488	92,583	2,986
August	12,438,360	401,234	75,638	2,439
September	7,754,028	291,351	55,745	2,144
October	5,898,664	218,469	43,660	1,617
November	4,961,972	184,777	39,903	1,478
December	5,731,532	204,697	43,824	1,568
Totals	95,965,330	262,919	676,111	

Respectfully, E. J. T. DEXTER, *Engineer.*

BOILER INSPECTION REPORTS.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 29, 1894.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company makes the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the sixteenth day of January, 1895, by Inspector James L. Foord.

H. T. Boiler, No. 1. "Water Works."

Internally: The heads, tubes and shell plates are free from incrustation, corrosion or deposit. No indications of weakness or distress was noted at the seams. The braces are sound and taut. The openings to steam connections and water gauges are clear. The fusible plug is intact. No deposit was noted on the bottom of the shell.

Externally: The shell plates are free from corrosion, fractures or blisters. The seams and tube ends are free from leaks or distress. No defects were noted on the heads. The brick work is in good repair. The safety-valve and other boiler appliances are in good working order. The pressure gauge was tested and found correct.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Town of Randolph, Mass.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 29, 1894.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company makes the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the twenty-sixth day of December, 1894, by Inspector James L. Foord.

H. T. Boiler, No. 2.

Internally: No incrustation, corrosion or deposit was noted on the shell plates, heads or tubes. The openings to the steam connections and water gauges are clear. No indi-

cations of distress or weakness was noted at the seams. The fusible plug is intact. The braces are sound and taut. No loose deposit was noted on the bottom of the boiler.

Externally: Several light thin surface blisters were found on the shell plates. These are harmless in their present condition. The two patches are in good condition. The plate around the patch on the first plate has two fractures in it. These fractures extend from the edge of the plate to the rivet hole. No leaks or distresses were noted at the seams or tube ends. The heads are free from defects. The brick work is in good repair. The safety-valve and other boiler appliances are in good working order.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works, Randolph, Mass.

GREAT POND.

There is no chance of our water supply giving out, as during the driest time last year we have drawn the water as low as possible in order to be better able to remove the grass, reeds and bushes around the edges, of which large quantities were removed and burned. This we have done for the last few years, and we think the money has been well spent.

The quality of the water remains good and is far above the average, according to the reports from the State Board of Health, who analyze the same at various times.

At certain seasons of the year, especially in the spring and fall after heavy rains or thaws, when there is a large amount of surface water running into the pond, there is a slight taste and discoloration, and we have found that as the pond lowers, the better the quality of the water, as this pond is fed principally by springs.

While other towns and cities are short some parts of the year and are spending large sums of money for additional supplies, we have plenty, and the people of both towns should be thankful for the same.

STAND PIPES.

The stand pipes at the present time are in first-class shape as far as we are able to see.

The insides of both should be painted either this year or next, as we do not deem it advisable to let them go longer.

The grounds around the same remain in the same condition as last year.

WATER MAINS.

The water mains have been increased, as will be seen in the first of this report.

The condition of the mains, wherever we have made any connections or have seen the inside or outside, are in good condition, and the coating seems to be as good as when laid.

HYDRANTS.

During the year we have added eight hydrants, making 139 in Randolph. Three of these are on Lafayette, two on High, two on Gold and one on North Street.

Three have had to be dug up and the valves reground.

When testing the works at Tower Hill through 100 feet of hose we obtained a fire stream of 140 feet.

The hydrants will require a coat of paint in the spring.

In November all the hydrants were opened and placed in order for the winter, and, as far as we are able to know, are now in working order.

In care of the works we must say that with the few breaks that we have had during the past year, and the number of miles of pipe and joints, that we have a good system, and, in

comparison with the cost to other towns, at a low price, and credit should be given to the persons who had charge of the introduction of the same.

In conclusion we think that it is one of the greatest blessings the two towns will ever have.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,
Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH WATER WORKS *in account with* HIRAM C. ALDEN,
TREASURER.

1894.	Dr.	
January, balance		\$522 25
Received of Water Commissioners		6,214 02
of town of Randolph, for water for hydrants and public buildings		2,000 00
of town of Randolph, for interest on water bonds		3,300 00
of town of Randolph, for two water bonds issued		2,093 33
of town of Holbrook, balance account		1,359 94
of National Exchange Bank, interest		13 18
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		\$15,502 72
	Cr.	
January, 1894. Paid sundry orders		\$14,957 17
Paid for box, safety deposit vault		10 00
Balance		535 55
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		\$15,502 72

RANDOLPH, January 26, 1895.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Hiram C. Alden, Treasurer of Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above to be on deposit in the National Exchange Bank.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

1894.	DR.	
January balance		\$1,333 60
Received of Old Colony R.R., interest . .		180 00
of Fitchburg R.R., interest . .		67 50
of Maine Central R.R., interest . .		15 00
of town of Randolph, interest . .		260 00
of Randolph Savings Bank . .		38 63
for town note		3,575 00
for interest on same		72 98
of town of Randolph, am't appropriated		3,575 00
for city of Cleveland, interest . .		80 00
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		\$9,197 71
1894.	CR.	
January. Paid for city of Cleveland bonds .		\$4,070 00
Paid for town of Randolph bonds .		3,121 66
Paid for town of Randolph note .		1,481 77
Balance		494 38
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		\$9,197 71

The Sinking Fund is invested as follows :

- \$3,000 00 Fitchburg R.R. $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent coupon bonds.
- 3,000 00 Old Colony R.R. 4 per cent registered bonds.
- 500 00 Maine Central R.R. 6 per cent coupon bonds.
- 15,000 00 town of Randolph bonds, 4 per cent coupon.
- 4,000 00 city of Cleveland bonds, 4 per cent coupon.
- 1,060 00 Abington Savings Bank.

\$1,060 00 Brockton Savings Bank.
 1,060 00 North Easton Savings Bank.
 1,060 00 Quincy Savings Bank.
 494 38 Randolph Savings Bank.
 1,481 67 Randolph note, 4 per cent.

\$31,716 05

RANDOLPH, February 4, 1893.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the sinking fund and find it to agree with the statement made above.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
 THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
 M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

Dr.

TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT WITH

Jan. 1, 1895.

Paid Town orders Nos. 1 to 928	\$47,125 11
Treasury notes	53,775 00
Interest on notes	2,574 75
Interest on water bonds	5,720 00
State Treasurer, State tax	2,180 00
County Treasurer, County tax	2,498 47
*Expense account	729 71
State Treasurer on account Corporation tax	234 80
Water Commissioners, amount received for bonds issued	2,093 33
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	\$116,931 17
Balance	16,449 32
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	\$133,380 49

EXPENSE.

Paid E. F. Knight, court fees	\$166 00
D. McGrath, court fees	20 90
T. J. Donahoe, court fees	51
F. W. Vye, court fees	17 98
E. E. Howard, court fees	6 22
T. Farrell, court fees	41 91
T. J. Keirnan, court fees	8 75
M. F. Sullivan, court fees	7 08
Town of Braintree, court fees in error	44 78
H. C. Alden, births, marriages and deaths	51 30
H. C. Alden, Treasurer	300 00
Sundry persons, books, stationery, etc.	22 28
W. M. Babbit, 1 birth	25
D. F. Kinier, 21 births	5 25
A. L. Chase, 13 births	3 25
F. C. Granger, 52 births	13 00
E. P. Linfield, 1 birth	25
F. S. Howard, 1 death	25
R. Houghton, 40 deaths	10 00
J. B. Wren, 19 deaths	4 75
Expense to Stoughton election	5 00
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	\$729 71*

HIRAM C. ALDEN, Treasurer.

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1895.

Balance, January 1, 1894	\$20,722 69
Received for Treasury Notes	51,481 67
Randolph National Bank stock	1,680 00
Selectmen, sundry accounts	1,023 37
interest in taxes, bonds and deposits	805 84
from State Treasurer, school fund	183 54
State Treasurer, state paupers	59 65
State Treasurer, corporation tax	4,514 17
State Treasurer, bank tax, \$2,631.41, \$993.04	3,624 45
State Treasurer, military aid	122 00
State Treasurer, state aid	2,271 00
Selectmen and Water Commissioners for interest in water bonds	4,660 00
town of Easton, pauper	41 50
town of Weymouth, pauper	185 35
city of Brockton, pauper	12 50
town of Braintree, pauper	11 00
town of Canton, pauper	2 80
city of Quincy, pauper	17 00
town of Methuen, pauper	26 00
town of Gardner, pauper	21 00
city of Boston, pauper	15 45
county Treasurer, dogs	511 98
tax collector, additional taxes	39 02
water bonds	2,000 00
auctioneer license	2 00
billiard and pool	4 00
*expense	379 77
tax bill, 1894	38,962 74
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	\$133,380 49
County Treasurer, fines	\$87 00
District Court, Quincy, fines	292 77
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	\$379 77*

STATE OF THE TREASURY.

January, 1895	Dr.	
Treasury notes		\$54,781 67
Water bonds		141,000 00
Interest due on bonds		1,700 00
Interest due on notes		1,200 00
Due firemen and outstanding bills		1,500 00
		<u>\$200,181 67</u>
	Cr.	
Salt marsh, Quincy		\$300 00
Due from F. M. French, [†] tax collector		15,362 74
Due for State aid		2,377 00
Due for military aid		131 00
Due from other towns		700 00
Due State paupers		75 00
Sinking fund		31,716 05
Cash		1,086 58
Balance		148,433 30
		<u>\$200,181 67</u>

RANDOLPH, MASS., January, 25, 1891.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
 THOMAS A. KENNEDY.
 M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1894.

DATE.	NAMES.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1894.		
Jan. 1,	William Patrick Gill . . .	William and Ellen — O'Leary
6,	Alfred N. Lincoln . . .	Alfred N. and Sarah — Lamont
25,	Henry F. Walsh . . .	Thomas F. and Lizzie — Patten
26,	Wallace B. Eddy . . .	Eli and Ella — Bridges
Feb. 8,	Mabel L. Scott . . .	Arthur L. and Eunice E.—Holbrook
10,	Dorothy Piper . . .	Edward E. and Lizzie— French
12,	Arvid Willson . . .	Carl A. and Ida — Johnson
17,	John Desmond . . .	John J. and Maria — Whitty
17,	Joseph Heney . . .	William and Margaret — Dwyer
Mar. 2,	Gertrude Henneberry . . .	John F. and Hannah — Lally
3,	Henry Carney . . .	James and Mary — Gibbons
6,	Thomas F. Mulligan . . .	Luke and Bridget — Hart
7,	Lena Burrell . . .	George and Susie — Jones
20,	Arthur V. Hand . . .	Edward and Lizzie M.— Dillon
23,	Charles E. Tibbetts . . .	William L. and Ida M.— Wood
25,	——Cloutres . . .	Omer and Victoria — Manto
26,	Catherine Curran . . .	Thomas and Mary F.— Reilly
26,	Patrick Sheehan . . .	P. J. and Ellen C.— Welch
Apr. 5,	Helen Sullivan . . .	Patrick and Mary E.— Brennan
10,	Roy M. Cameron . . .	John A. and Dora — McNara
24,	James E. Buchanan . . .	David and Julia — Peterson
26,	Mary E. Dean . . .	Patrick H. and Eliza — Coakley
26,	Mary E. Shultz . . .	Henry and Jennie — Roberts
May 10,	Mary Barry . . .	William G. and Jane — Mackedon
13,	——DeForrest* . . .	Arthur C. and Lena L.— Brown
19,	Blanché Pooler . . .	Joseph E. and Aurelia — Martin
June 2,	——Pinkham . . .	Leroy E. and Hattie — Allen
7,	Hannah E. O'Neil . . .	Barthol'w and Hannah — Mahoney
7,	Joanna Decota . . .	Louis and Mary A.— Welch
14,	Albert J. Keith . . .	Richard Susie — Dench
14,	Alice McAuliff . . .	Richard J. and Kate — Dempsey
17,	Ralph Nichols Boyd . . .	Harvey W. and M. Alice — Nichols
18,	Walter Farrell . . .	Thomas and Ellen A.— Flynn
19,	Arthur Sullivan . . .	Mortimor and Rose M.— Brady
26,	Leo Dench . . .	Joseph and Mary — Dennehey
30,	Marie M. Brennan . . .	James and Jennie — O'Brien
July 3,	Gordon Crosby Berry . . .	Walter H. and Minnie — Corliss
5,	——Shields . . .	William and Jennie A.— Pierce
7,	Francis Brady . . .	Andrew and Mary E.— Fox

*Deceased.

DATE.	NAMES.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July 10,	Ella Marion Tirrell . . .	William G. and Hannah — Presby
16,	Margaret Murry . . .	Thomas and Margaret — Carroll
20,	Olive L. Palmer . . .	J. W. and Mary — Harriman
30,	Albert Mayo . . .	Henry and Victoria — Gurney
Aug. 1,	James C. Kiunier . . .	D. F. and Lauretta — McAvoy
8,	Flora S. Dunham . . .	Herman and Lena — Morris
16,	—— Wentworth . . .	Frank and Etta — Ela
19,	Herbert Augustus Towns . . .	Arthur M. and Alice G. — Leach
28,	Francis Foley . . .	David J. and Kate — Dolan
Sept. 4,	Alice Brown . . .	John J. and Annie M. — Mackedon
4,	George Richards } . . .	John and Annie — Hafner
	Joseph Richards } . . .	
7,	Anna G. Sullivan . . .	Michael F. and Jane A. — Strickland
10,	Abby Lyons . . .	Timothy and Abby R. — Hamilton
11,	William Brennan . . .	Daniel and Bridget — Rooney
12,	Harold W. Macauley . . .	Frank and Metta — Fischer
13,	Joseph E. Rudderhan . . .	John E. and Frances M. — McLean
14,	Amy R. Whalin . . .	Forrest E. and Ellen J. — Igo.
11,	Addie L. Foster . . .	Frank W. and Delia — Morse
21,	Helen Thurber . . .	William J. and Helen — Rea
24,	Margaret E. Strickland . . .	T. Jefferson and Alice C. — Kennedy
27,	Mary Leahy . . .	Joseph and Sarah A. — Farquhar
Oct. 5,	Charles Dane Alden . . .	Frank D. and Nellie — Thompson
10,	Margaret M. Heney . . .	Charles and Mary A. — Welch
15,	James McDonald . . .	James B. and Henrietta — Shea
16,	Marion P. Arnold . . .	Edward and L. Cora — Brown
26,	Anna M. Long . . .	Edward and Anna — Pryor
30,	Eleanor R. Hagney . . .	Arthur and Mary E. — Kiley
31,	Wilmot McCouchie . . .	Samuel and Lizzie C. — Wright
Nov. 2,	Henry P. Manning . . .	John T. and Lizzie M. — Green
7,	Joseph McMahon . . .	George H. and Margaret — Daly
20,	Viola B. Holbrook . . .	Martin G. and Ida M. — Cox
23,	Ellen Josephine Heney . . .	Joseph J. and Catherine — White
Dec. 2,	Francis Woodman . . .	Franklin and Rose — Kenney
18,	William F. Cunningham . . .	William and Kate J. — Barry
19,	Anna Morgan . . .	Edward H. and Bridget — Shea
23,	Frank H. Bromade . . .	Fred C. and L. A. — Lothrop
30,	—— Meany . . .	Patrick J. and Alice — O'Brien

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1894.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
1892.			
Jan. 7,	Timothy Lyons . . .	Randolph	27
	Abby R. Hamilton . . .	Randolph	31
10,	Frank S. Woodman . . .	Randolph	27
	Rose Kenney	Randolph	27
Feb. 13,	Karl H. Granger . . .	Weymouth	26
	Mary C. Briggs	Randolph	20
Mar. 26,	Edward A. Greenwood . .	Holbrook	22
	Mary E. Boyle	Randolph	22
Apr. 18,	William H. Carroll . . .	Randolph	26
	Mary A. O'Connor . . .	Randolph	20
21,	George Elmer White . . .	Randolph	29
	Eva M. Marland	Braintree	19
June 20,	Thomas E. Carroll . . .	Randolph	34
	Sarah Meanan	Avon	34
July 3,	Christophes Mackedon . .	Randolph	28
	Anna L. Kenney	Abington	23
Sept. 5,	Thomas P. Mahan	Brockton	35
	Alice J. Kelliher	Randolph	28
5,	Matthew J. Walsh	Randolph	27
	Bridget Kennedy	Weymouth	21
6,	Ulysses E. Austin	Randolph	24
	Mary L. Fogg	Randolph	19
25,	William F. Carnev	Randolph	25
	Catherine M. Mallin . . .	Ranpolph	26
Oct. 2,	Charles M. Law	Randolph	25
	Sarah E. Shedd	Randolph	40
	(Littlefield)		
17,	Weldon H. Reynolds . . .	Randolph	28
	Carrie S. Thayer	Randolph	27

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Oct. 30,	George A. Alden . . .	Randolph	30
	Katie Jones (Miller)	Randolph	24
Nov. 3,	Edgar C. Holbrook . . .	Randolph	23
	Gertrude L. Lynch . . .	Randolph	21
26,	John H. Simmons . . .	Braintree	28
	Louise E. White . . .	Braintree	22
27,	Francis A. Stanley . . .	Randolph	46
	Mary L. Boyd (Sullivan)	Holbrook	57
29,	John P. Dillon	Randolph	28
	Mary A. Kane	Randolph	24
Dec. 6.	Herbert A. Carleton . . .	Randolph	25
	Anna Berpha Howard . .	Randolph	23
6.	Jefferson H. Moody . . .	Randolph	29
	Emogene F. Batchelder . . (Dunham)	Middleboro	32
11,	Seth D. Bradley	Randolph	35
	Hannah H. Hursell . . . (Smith)	Vineyard Haven	34
19,	Patrick Donovan	Randolph	45
	Jennie Reed (Chute)	Boston	39

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1894.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
1894.					
Jan. 1,	Ashael H. Broderick . . .	47	3	27	Pneumonia
1,	Lorenzo Hayden, V.S. . .	50	4	18	Epilepsy
4,	Thomas McGrath, V.S. . .	58			Abdominal tumor
Feb. 9,	James Sutton . . .		5	20	Cerebral convulsions
13,	Michael Foley . . .	30	4	3	Peritonitis
17,	William D. Barrows . . .	76	7	20	Heart disease
17,	John Desmond . . .		4	hours	Infantile
25,	Mary C. Hanson (Highland)	39	1	12	La grippe
28,	Harriet Pratt (Clark) . .	58	4	4	Rheumatic carditis
Mar. 3,	Julia A. Fennell . . .	27	8	16	Bronchial asthma
3,	Mary E. Stetson (Ainslie) .	38	5	14	Ulcerative lungs
17,	William P. Sheridan . . .	19	6	16	Phthisis pulmonalis
24,	Ansel Mann . . .	70	2		Pneumonia
25,	John H. Sutton . . .	42	9	3	Tuberlucosis
25,	James M. Hollis . . .	73	11	22	Asthma
26,	— Sheehan . . .			1	Premature birth
Apr. 2,	Annie Moors (McMahon) . .	36	11	21	Typhoid pneumonia
4,	Deborah L. Stevens (Leonard)	78	1	18	Heart disease
5,	Mary E. Robbins (Trufant)	65	6	29	Heart disease
25,	John McGuckin . . .	73	10	12	Cancer
May 1,	Amy Gertrude Payne . . .		10	7	Meningitis
1,	Ellen Murry Dywer . . .	75			Heart disease
5,	Eliza Clark (Howard) . .	90	6	22	Old age
8,	Ellen Kinnier (Collins) . .	73	3		Senility
12,	George W. Holbrook . . .	13	2	26	Anemia typhoid fever
13,	— DeForest . . .			1	Premature birth
17,	James Kinnier . . .	41	11	15	Pleuro pneumonia
28,	John Day . . .	50	3	18	Suicide, hanging
28,	Agnes S. Moore (Stevens)	61			Hypertrophy, heart
31,	Thomas B. Howard . . .	86		4	Parenchymatous nephritis
June 6,	Susan H. Thayer (Hichborn)	86	8	11	Heart disease
16,	David Liufield . . .	84	5	13	Anemia
23,	John R. Gordon . . .	90	5		Old age
27,	Annie B. Holbrook (Smith)	70	3		Old age
July 3,	Bridget Patten (Sullivan) .	52	11		Cerebral hemorrhage
8,	Mary Ahern . . .	85			Cholera morbus
9,	Chester S. Wentworth . .	10		10	Internal injury
19,	Mary Briggs (Lothrop) . .	76	9	4	Acute indigestion
21,	Richard H. Newton . . .		11	3	Cholera infantum
Aug. 3,	Joseph King . . .		5	5	Cholera infantum
5,	Walter W. Wales . . .	34	9	26	Chronic nephritis

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	DISEASE.
Aug. 7,	Arthur V. Hand . . .	4 8	Cholera infantum
25,	Albert J. Keith . . .	2 11	Marasmus
27,	William J. Curran . . .	5 3 22	Malignant scarlet fever
Sept. 1,	Elizabeth Sutton . . .	11 28	Heart disease
4,	A. Lawrence White, V.S. .	58 2 21	Cerebral hemorrhage
7,	Margaret Kennedy . . .	4 1 27	Pertusis
9,	Mary A. Mahar (Gallagher)	67	Emphysema of lungs
10,	James Hoyer . . .	70	Typhoid malaria fever
28,	Sally G. Pettee . . .	79 6	Softening of brain
Oct. 4,	Ansel French . . .	55 9 23	General paralysis
4,	Samuel Hamilton . . .	96	Heart disease
7,	Margaret Reilly (Freeman)	65 6 23	Paralysis agitans apoplexy
13,	Richard Forrest, Jr. . .	10 17	Cerebral congestion
20,	Flora Dunham . . .	2 12	Pneumonia
23,	Mary E. Winthrop (Leighton)	39	Nephritis
Nov. 9,	Eliza T. Smith (Storow) .	58 10 9	Cancer
25,	Theodore B. Stetson . . .	49 7 10	Heart disease
26,	John O'Leary . . .	41	Accidental
13,	Charles Hawes . . .	60 9 10	Burns congestive brain
Dec. 2,	Anna G. Sullivan . . .	2 26	Whooping cough
5,	Ann Brophy (Kealey) . .	70	Rheumatism, dropsy
8,	Soloman L. White . . .	79 9 13	Asthma
18,	Mary B. Pooler . . .	7	Diarrhoea
22,	Mary Mead (Battles) . .	73 9 11	Locomotor ataxia
24,	William Smith . . .	18	Drowned
25,	Silence W. Holbrook (Cole)	77 3 14	Chronic bronchitis
27,	Ann Burke . . .	65	Valvular disease of heart

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Epilepsy, tumor, peritonitis infantile, la grippe, carditis, phthisis, pulmonary, tuberculosis, meningitis, senility, suicide, anemia, cholera morbus, accidental, internal injury, indigestion, marasmus, scarlet fever, pertussis, softening of brain, paralysis, apoplexy, burned, whooping cough, dropsy, diarrhoea, locomotor ataxia, drowned, bronchitis, 1 each.

Cerebral convulsions, ulceration of lungs, premature birth, cerebral hemorrhage, cancer, typhoid fever, 2 each.

Asthma, old age, nephritis, cholera infantum, 3 each.

Pneumonia, 5.

Heart disease, 10.

Under 5 years of age	12
Between 5 and 10	
10 and 20	
20 and 30	

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph in said
County,* GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot ; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question : "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town ex-

penses for the current year, and make appropriations therefor.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise an appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to furnish the Prescott school building with a new heating and ventilating apparatus, as directed by the department of the District Police, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund as required by law, to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan" when due.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the payment of interest on the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to pay for lighting the streets by electricity, as per contract with Charles Doughty.

Article 15. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 16. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they may deem most favorable for the town.

Article 17. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 18. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

Article 19. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care of and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist churches, also the clock in the Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to publish the proceedings of its Centennial Celebration, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to extend the water pipes on Mill Street from the residence of Moses McGaughey to the residence of James Welsh, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Michael Crowley and others.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to put electric lights on High Street from the residence of Abraham Jones to the residence of Michael Ford, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by H. S. Archer and others.

Article 23. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same in any way relates to the water supply.

Article 24. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond or

in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 25. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 26. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 28. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1895.

Article 29. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a Town Treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to extend the water pipes through Canton Street from the junction of Main and Canton Streets to the junction of Canton and High Streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to extend the electric lights on North Street from their present terminus to Braintree line, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Charles H. Thayer and others.

Article 32. To see what action the town will take in relation to placing a 2000 candle power light at or near the corner of Short and North Streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by John B. Wren and others.

Article 33. To see what action the town will take in relation to completing the sidewalk on the west side of North Street from Cottage Street to Central Square, and raise and

appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by John B. Wren and others.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to raise the grade of Allen Street from the residence of Adonirum A. Payne to the residence of Columbus Holbrook, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Adonirum A. Payne and others.

Article 35. To hear and act on the report of any committee and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be open at six o'clock and remain open for four hours and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the time and hour of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this eighteenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy. Attest: MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable.*

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1895-96.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD. FRED M. FRENCH.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1896.

M. A. DONOVAN Term expires 1897.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY Term expires 1898.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1896.

M. A. DONOVAN Term expires 1897.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY Term expires 1898.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES A. WALES Term expires 1896.

DANIEL B. WHITE Term expires 1897.

PETER B. HAND Term expires 1898.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT.

THOMAS FARRELL.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.

FRED W. VYE.

LINCOLN STETSON.

FRANK J. DONAHOE.

JAMES E. BLANCHE.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

GEORGE L. BINNEY.

JAMES RILEY.

JAMES H. WALES.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY.

HERBERT W. PRATT.

JAMES F. SULLIVAN.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*. JOHN HANEY.

DANIEL J. BRENNAN. CORNELIUS DESMOND.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

JAMES RILEY.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

COLIN BOYD.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT.

GEORGE W. PORTER, of Avon.

GEORGE A. WALES, of Stoughton.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1895.

Rate of taxation May 1, 1895, \$19.00 on a \$1000.

VALUATION.

	1894.	1895.	Increase.
Personal . .	\$291,350 00	\$296,100 00	\$4,750 00
Real estate . .	1,579,300 00	1,607,700 00	28,400 00
	<hr/> \$1,870,650 00	<hr/> \$1,903,800 00	<hr/> \$33,150 00
Town appropriation			\$42,474 27
County tax			2,249 48
State tax			1,410 00
			<hr/>
Amount to be raised			\$46,133 75
Number of polls, 1132. Tax . .		\$2,264 00	
Estimated corporation and bank tax, .		8,100 00	10,364 00
			<hr/>
Amount to be raised on property			\$35,769 75
Tax on:			
Real estate		(\$1,607,700 00)	\$30,546 30
Personal		(296,100 00)	5,625 90
		<hr/> \$1,903,800 00	<hr/> \$36,172 20
Amount to be raised			35,769 75
			<hr/>
Overlay			\$402 45

Warrant :

State tax	\$1,410 00
County tax	2,249 48
Town tax and overlay	34,776 72
	<hr/>
	\$38,436 20

POPULATION, CENSUS OF 1895.

Number of horses May 1, 1895	347
cows May 1, 1895	207
acres of land taxed	5,757
dwellings	845

APPROPRIATIONS.

	Reappropriations.	Appropriations.
For schools		\$8,148 48
Stetson High School		2,200 00
highways		3,500 00
paving		500 00
removing snow		500 00
miscellaneous		2,000 00
poor in almshouse		1,500 00
poor out of almshouse		3,800 00
soldiers' relief		300 00
poor of Randolph and Holbrook,	\$114 29	885 71
military aid		150 00
town officers		2,100 00
interest on town debt		1,500 00
fire department		1,730 00
G.A.R., decoration of soldiers'		
graves		100 00
board of health		200 00
tramps, lockup, etc.		200 00

For Centennial printing . . .		\$300 00
special police		500 00
sidewalk on North Street . . .		100 00
sinking fund, "water loan" . . .		3,500 00
interest on water loan		3,500 00
water for hydrants, etc.		2,000 00
electric lighting	246 92	2,910 08
care of clocks		50 00
pay of physicians	100 00	300 00
County tax		2,249 48
State tax		1,410 00
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	\$461 21	\$46,133 75

Appropriations, \$46,133 75

Reappropriations, 461 21

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1895.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	10,500 00
Three fire-engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus	800 00
One hearse	100 00
Ten acres salt marsh	300 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Turner school fund	1,500 00

Stetson school fund, par value . . .	\$11,900 00
Turner Free Library building and land . .	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund . . .	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Water Works	150,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate . . .	2,800 00
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	\$305,450 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$47,302.45.

On account of schools	\$8,774 58
Stetson High School	2,322 66
poor out of almshouse	4,179 02
poor of Randolph and Holbrook . .	1,453 20
poor in almshouse	1,973 52
soldiers' relief	258 21
poor of other towns	441 01
State paupers and tramps	364 85
miscellaneous expenses	2,051 10
board of health	112 50
fire department	1,928 84
State aid	2,771 00
military aid	366 00
water for hydrants	2,000 00
sinking fund, "water loan"	3,575 00
interest on water loan	3,500 00
repairs of highways	3,535 02
paving	510 33
removing snow	332 81
town officers	2,144 42

On account of decoration of soldiers' graves . . .	\$100 00
repair of clocks . . .	50 00
electric lighting . . .	3,066 56
medical attendance . . .	267 67
Centennial printing . . .	300 00
special police . . .	495 00
sidewalk on North Street . . .	103 35
burial of soldier . . .	35 00
abatement of 1893 taxes . . .	290 80
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	\$47,302 45
Warrant on Treasurer to pay State tax . . .	1,410 00
Warrant on Treasurer to pay County tax . . .	2,249 48
Interest on town debt . . .	1,500 00
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	\$52,461 93

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools	\$8,903 38	\$8,774 58
Stetson High School . . .	2,200 00	2,322 66
Poor out of almshouse . . .	3,800 00	4,179 02
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook. . .	1,000 00	1,453 20
Poor in almshouse . . .	1,500 00	1,973 52
Soldiers' relief . . .	300 00	258 21
Poor of other towns . . .		441 01
State paupers . . .		153 45
Lockup and tramps . . .	200 00	211 40
Miscellaneous expenses . . .	2,000 00	2,051 10
Fire department . . .	1,730 00	1,928 84
State aid . . .		2,771 00
Military aid . . .	150 00	366 00
Electric lighting . . .	3,157 00	3,066 56
Removing snow . . .	500 00	332 81

For Water Commissioners, for hydrants	2,000 00	\$2,000 00
Water Commissioners, for interest,	3,500 00	3,500 00
Water Commissioners, for sinking fund	3,500 00	3,575 00
Pay of physicians	400 00	267 67
Centennial celebration	300 00	300 00
Special police	500 00	495 00
Board of Health	200 00	112 50
Town officers	2,100 00	2,144 42
Paving	500 00	510 33
Abatement of taxes, 1893		290 80
Repairs of highways	3,500 00	3,535 02
Sidewalk, North Street	100 00	103 35
Burial of soldier		35 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Care of clocks	50 00	50 00
State tax	1,410 00	1,410 00
County tax	2,249 48	2,249 48
Interest on town debt	1,500 00	1,500 00
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	\$47,349 86	\$52,461 93

Total amount of expenditures \$52,461 93

Total amount of appropriations and estimated income 47,349 86

Amount overdrawn, \$5,112 07

Overdrawn on account of:

Stetson High School	\$122 66
Poor out of almshouse	379 02
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook,	453 20
Poor in almshouse	473 52

Poor in other towns	\$441 01
State paupers	153 45
Lockup and tramps	11 40
Miscellaneous	51 10
Fire department	198 84
State aid	2,771 00
Military aid	216 00
Sinking fund	75 00
Town officers	44 42
Paving	10 33
Abatements	290 80
Highways	35 02
Sidewalk, North Street . .	3 35
Burial of soldier	35 00
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	\$5,765 12

Unexpended on account of:

Schools	\$128 80	
Soldiers' relief	41 79	
Electric lighting	90 44	
Removing snow	167 19	
Pay of physicians	132 33	
Special police	5 00	
Board of Health	87 50	
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		\$5,112 07

To be refunded by State on account of:

State aid	\$2,771 00
Military aid	183 00
State paupers	153 45
Burial of soldier	35 00
Poor of other towns	441 01
Poor in almshouse	540 38
Poor out of almshouse	53 00

Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	\$492 40	
Unexpended Randolph and Holbrook,	32 20	
	<hr/>	\$4,701 44
Net amount overdrawn		<hr/> \$411 63

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

In March of last year we reappointed James Riley Superintendent of Streets, to whom we looked for a good use of the money appropriated and an economical supervision of the work under his charge. We feel that our confidence has not been misplaced.

In the early part of the summer we filed a petition with the "State Highway Commission" for the construction as a State highway that part of North Main Street from "Norway Brook" to the boundary line between Quincy and Randolph below the residence of Joshua Hunt, a distance of over a mile. As there were a large number of petitioners ahead of us, it may be some time before we will know the decision of the commission. Should it be favorable — as we have every reason to believe it will be — then the citizens will have an object lesson as to which is the best kind of a road — one made of stone or one made of dirt.

Paid Duncan Henderson, labor	\$1 75
town teams, labor	256 05
William Good, labor	28 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	164 69
Michael Leahy, labor	91 97
Thomas Whalen, labor	194 06
Thomas Buckley, labor	198 39
James Riley, team, labor	478 82
John B. McGrane, labor	50 44

Paid H. B. Libby, lumber	\$2 66
John Curran, labor	21 11
John Dunn, labor	28 00
George M. Johnson, labor	78 00
Andrew Nightingale, labor	15 77
Peter McConaty, labor	20 00
Michael Collins, gravel	10 70
John P. Rooney, labor	89 65
Morris E. Scanlon, labor	30 92
William Brennan, labor	88 79
Manus Gallagher, labor	10 00
Martin Harty, labor	23 34
Thomas Duff, labor	124 46
James Carroll, team, labor	65 67
James Lyons, labor	3 55
William Devine, team, labor	42 00
James Devine, team, labor	35 00
William C. Barry, labor	161 35
John Sheehan, labor	52 89
Daniel Twomey, labor	67
Philip Riley, labor	55 00
Mary L. Smith, gravel	70 05
C. A. Wales, gravel	22 61
James Swindells, gravel	1 29
heirs of E. R. Du Bois, gravel	63
Robert McAuliffe, team, labor	80 50
Lewis Jones, labor	32 00
Michael Ford, labor	34 00
Christopher Purcell, labor	12 00
James Barry, labor	26 35
John T. Manning, labor	3 00
John Harris, labor	5 11
Nathaniel Howard, labor of J. French	12 00
Edward Quinn, labor	12 00

Paid Michael Crowley, labor	\$37 00
James H. Welch, labor	29 78
William Gill, labor	65 39
Franklin Taylor, labor	10 80
James Slowey, labor	98 61
Martin Smith, labor	1 25
Soriana Jones, labor	12 28
George F. French, labor	3 00
James Blythe, labor	5 00
Robert Hamilton, labor	19 00
Patrick Crosby, labor	5 00
Charles Harris, labor	6 00
John Desmond, labor	20 46
Griffith Jones, labor	20 00
Thomas Barry, labor	4 45
William Mahady, team, labor	76 62
Edward Devine, team, labor	45 50
Charles H. Cole, team, labor	38 50
Estate T. F. Lynch, gravel	16 86
James Dowd, labor	2 00
F. E. Stetson, team, labor	47 10
John Meaney, labor	38 50
William Lynch, labor	24 00
Edwin Tabor, labor	3 64
John Wales, gravel	82 11
Thomas Powderly, gravel	23 07
Frank Riley, labor	16 67
Seth Mann, 2d, gravel	42
Owen Cox, labor	2 00
J. Madison Jones, labor	2 00
H. M. White & Co., supplies	60
F. H. Langley, labor and materials	3 10
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	15
James H. Wales, gravel	50

Paid Isaac Niles, gravel	\$7 49
James Fardy, labor, etc.	8 95
Joshua Hunt, gravel	3 01
George Leahy, gravel	3 70
Michael Ford, gravel	7 00
Mrs. Teresa Kinsley, gravel	3 22
Joseph Riley, labor	4 00
Thomas Kenny, labor	1 05
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	\$3,535 02

Appropriation, \$3,500 00

Overdrawn, 35 02

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid John W. Bryan	\$1 00
James Carroll	49 80
F. E. Stetson	54 57
William Mahady	71 73
James Riley	143 71
Richard J. Irving	5 00
William Devine	50
George L. Binney	25
Joseph Donovan	3 25
James Keenan	3 00
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	\$332 81

Appropriation, \$500 00

Unexpended, \$167 19

PAVING.

Paid town teams, labor	\$77 08
James Riley, labor	84 06
Joseph Donovan, labor	50 44
Thomas Whalen	50 00

Paid Thomas Buckley, labor	\$62 56
John Harris, labor	6 00
John Curran, labor	10 00
John P. Rooney, labor	51 00
Andrew Nightingale, labor	41 89
Michael Crowley, labor	8 89
William F. Shepard, labor	6 00
Martin Harty, labor	5 11
William Brennan, labor	11 00
Frank Riley, labor	10 00
George M. Johnson, labor	12 00
Thomas Duff, labor	3 56
Mary L. Smith, gravel	1 50
Est. T. F. Lynch, gravel	80
C. A. Wales, gravel	1 80
John Wales, gravel	60
Maurice E. Scanlon, sand	4 14
Thomas Powderly, sand	5 80
Seth Mann, 2d, sand	30
Mrs. T. Kinsley, sand	20
Sundry persons, sand	2 30
A. Clark, sand	1 20
Michael Collins, sand	1 40
James M. Dyer, sand	40
Estate T. F. Lynch, sand	20
H. Alden, sand	10

\$510 33

Appropriation, \$500 00

Overdrawn, 10 33

SIDEWALK, NORTH STREET.

Paid town teams	\$11 25
James Riley	20 00

Paid Thomas Whalen	\$14 00
Thomas Buckley	16 00
John Sheehan	6 00
William C. Barry	16 00
William Lynch	4 00
John P. Rooney	8 00
Thomas Duff	8 00
H. M. White & Co.	10

 \$103 35

Appropriation, \$100 00

Overdrawn, 3 35

 MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid W. H. Robinson, damage to horse	\$5 00
Aldine Pen Co.	3 70
George F. Parish, labor	25
Joseph T. Leahy, teller	8 00
Turner Free Library, repairs	320 71
Edwin F. Knight, distributing notices	12 50
Thomas Purcell, teller	5 00
John B. Wren, attending funerals	7 50
Frank J. Donahue, police duty	30 67
Thomas Farrell, police duty	52 70
Weston P. Alden, teller	5 00
James E. Foley, teller	5 00
Little, Brown & Co., books	5 25
Daniel H. Huxford, printing	398 25
Colin Boyd, janitor	118 00
H. B. Libby, labor	3 76
E. W. Campagna, labor on booths	6 25
Edwin M. Mann, wood for Selectmen's room,	15 00
John B. Thayer, teller	5 00
Franklin Porter, supplies	2 05

Paid Thomas Groom & Co., collector's books, etc.,	\$10 80
Royal T. Mann, teller	10 00
John T. Flood, Moderator * . . .	20 00
John T. Flood, Town Clerk pro tem. .	10 00
E. L. Burdakin, copy of transfers . .	10 00
A. E. Martell & Co., book	3 50
J. W. McAnarney, legal services . .	10 00
Jacobs, Whitcomb & Co., flag . . .	11 00
Fred W. Vye, police duty	8 50
James D. Sheridan, teller	5 00
J. White Belcher, insurance	120 00
Asa P. French, legal services	200 00
Charles Doughty, wiring	13 20
Randolph Water Works	15 50
Fred M. French, cash paid	7 50
George M. Thayer, damage to horse .	25 00
Robert S. Robson, repairing ballot box .	6 00
Edward O'Flaherty, teller	10 00
Charles Alden, teller	5 00
Martin Harty, teller	5 00
Hugh J. Molloy, teller	10 00
S. L. Chessman, teller	5 00
Arthur W. Alden, teller	10 00
M. F. Sullivan, police duty	28 50
J. A. Kingsbury, dinners	10 70
George C. Spear, teller	10 00
Nelson Mann, teller	5 00
Edward Long, teller	8 00
E. Lawrence Payne, police duty . . .	7 50
Charles F. Bean, police duty	7 50
Thomas J. Kiernan, police duty and teller	13 25
Franklin Taylor, labor and material .	13 00
Dexter T. Clark, surveying	193 75
Dexter T. Clark, teller	5 00

Paid Lincoln Stetson, police duty	\$7 50
P. H. McLaughlin, copying Assessors' list	25 00
P. H. McLaughlin, cash paid	8 72
William A. Croak, teller	5 00
Peter B. Hand, teller	5 00
A. L. Chase, teller	5 00
Fred Hart Alden, teller	5 00
Charles H. Cole, labor	7 25
D. B. White, teller	5 00
George W. Wales, postage	8 16
Charles H. Belcher, supplies	6 49
John H. Field, teller	10 00
A. J. Gove, expressage and carriage hire	74 60
Charles A. Wales, labor on fountains	19 60
John K. Willard, cash paid	7 75
Sundry bills	8 24
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	\$2,051 10

Appropriation, \$2,000 00

Overdrawn, 51 10

*Paid Post 110, G.A.R., \$20, by order John T. Flood, Esq.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin	\$400 00
John K. Willard	350 00
Fred M. French	350 00
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	\$1,100 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Asa P. French	\$125 00
Michael A. Donovan	143 00
Thomas A. Kennedy	83 00
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	351 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid James Fardy . . .	\$50 00	
Herbert W. Pratt . . .	50 00	
James F. Sullivan . . .	50 00	
Hiram C. Alden, Clerk . . .	75 00	
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TOWN AUDITORS.

Paid C. G. Hathaway, Thomas A. Kennedy and Michael F. Cunningham	\$18 00	
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ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

Paid Charles A. Wales, William A. Croak, John Haney, Daniel J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond . . .	\$162 50	
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COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, collecting taxes of 1893	\$7 92	
Fred M. French, collecting taxes of 1894	135 00	
Fred M. French, collecting taxes of 1895	145 00	
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		\$2,144 42

Appropriation, \$2,100 00
Overdrawn, 44 42

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R.,	\$100 00
Appropriation, \$100 00	

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid First Baptist Church	\$20 00
First Congregational Church	20 00
Colin Boyd	10 00
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Appropriation, \$50 00	\$50 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty to January 1, 1896 . . .	\$3,066 56
Appropriation, \$3,157 00	
Unexpended, 90 44	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of Engineers of Fire Department) . . .	\$1,928 84
Appropriation, \$1,730 00	
Overdrawn, 198 84	

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

Paid Trustees	\$2,200 00
Trustees, bank tax	122 66
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Appropriation, \$2,200 00, and bank tax.	\$2,322 66

STATE AID (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State) . . .	\$2,771 00
No appropriation. To be refunded by State.	

STATE AID (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons (as per account of State) .	\$366 00
One-half paid by the State .	\$183 00
By town of Holbrook . .	20 00
By town of Randolph . .	163 00
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	\$366 00
Appropriation, \$150 00	
Overdrawn, 13 00	
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SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School Committee)	\$8,774 58
Appropriation	\$8,148 48
Dog licenses	485 70
State school fund	269 20
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	\$8,903 38
Unexpended	\$128 80
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WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners, contribution to sinking fund	\$3,575 00
For interest on water bonds	3,500 00
For water for hydrants and public buildings, .	2,000 00
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	\$9,075 00
Appropriation, \$9,000 00	
Overdrawn, 75 00	
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, abatement of 1893 taxes,	\$290 80
No appropriation.	

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin, services . . .	\$20 00
John K. Willard, services . . .	20 00
Fred M. French, services . . .	20 00
George H. McMahon, bedding destroyed .	15 00
Andrew J. Brady, bedding destroyed .	17 50
Mrs. Rose Campbell, bedding destroyed .	20 00
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	\$112 50
Appropriation, \$200 00	
Unexpended, 87 50	

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid Edwin F. Knight, services . . .	\$495 00
Appropriation, \$500 00	
Unexpended, 5 00	

REPORT OF TOWN'S CENTENNIAL, 1893.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin, Treasurer . . .	\$300 00
Appropriation, \$300 00	

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The expenditures for outside aid have been larger than usual this year. We have been obliged to care for a number of cases which were expensive, but are of the opinion that the coming year the number and amounts will be considerably less.

The management of the almshouse and poor farm has been under the continued care of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Weaver.

The neatness and good order of the place, combined with the comfort and welfare of the inmates, bear ample testimony that they have in all respects done their duty, and to the entire satisfaction of the Board.

There was one death in the house last year, Edmund Eddy. Present number in the house, eight.

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Paid George R. Weaver, salary	\$499 96
George R. Weaver, supplies and sundries	31 46
John L. Burke, painting	1 50
N. A. Tolman, fish	46
Walter M. Howard, fish	49 46
Charles Prescott & Co., groceries	178 65
H. M. White & Co., groceries	197 19
George H. Eddy, provisions	5 82
John Hill, labor and material	4 05
James Riley, labor	5 10

Paid Willard G. Brown	\$1 50
Charles H. Belcher, groceries	16 14
Estate F. A. Belcher, dry goods	17 63
Frank H. Langley, labor	41 78
Oriental Tea Co., supplies	13 31
Thomas L. Stetson, fertilizer	4 00
D. B. White, grain and coal	187 56
Franklin Porter, medicine	10 05
H. A. Hartley & Co., rug	5 25
H. B. Libby, labor	13 97
Joseph T. Leahy, labor	3 33
James A. Brennan, supplies	16 15
Robert McLennan, labor	10 50
Charles D. Hill, groceries	56 55
John Wallace, provisions	48 30
J. Breck & Sons, mowing machine	45 00
W. A. Smith, provisions	79 07
William Crossley	3 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	26 00
James Fardy, labor	39 70
N. E. Buck, grain	113 83
James Gogan, pigs	12 00
Royal T. Mann, milk	32 90
Brennan & Long	15 95
Charles A. Payne, labor	1 10
B. C. Tirrell, supplies	26 75
Seth Mann, 2d, pasturage	5 00
S. A. Thayer, coal	78 90
Charles A. Wales, labor	24 00
A. J. Towns, ice	27 35
M. M. Alden, labor	1 30
Ralph Houghton, burial of Edmund Eddy,	22 00

\$1,973 52

ALMSHOUSE.

Dr.

To stock on hand December 31, 1894, \$2,629 23	
To cash paid for supplies to December 31, 1894	1,973 52
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	\$4,602 75

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By stock on hand December 31, 1895, \$2,470 40	
labor of teams	380 01
produce sold	30 37
board refunded	130 00
Net expense of almshouse	1,591 97
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	\$4,602 75

PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

	Weeks.
Lewis A. Linfield	52
Edmund Eddy	50
Joseph A. Fritts	52
Bartholomew Gill	37
William A. Doyle	52
Catherine Heney	52
Thomas Curran	28
Thomas Ward	21
Silas Binney	5
Martin Conboy	1 $\frac{3}{4}$
John A. Horgan	$\frac{4}{7}$
Patrick Kiley	5
Cornelius F. Foley	5
Charles S. Foley	5
Thomas Foley	5
Edward J. Foley	5
James Welsh	1

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC., DECEMBER 31, 1895.

2 horses	\$300 00
1 cow	50 00
2 pigs	35 00
30 fowl	30 00
8 tons English hay	184 00
1 road scraper	75 00
3 horse carts	175 00
1 farm wagon	60 00
1 carriage	20 00
1 two-horse wagon	60 00
1 swing drag	35 00
2 mowing machines	50 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	8 00
2 gravel screens	10 00
2 cart harnesses	30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 pair double harness	40 00
1 two-horse sled, shaft and pole	50 00
4 draft chains	10 00
2 grindstones	8 00
2 carriage jacks	4 00
Baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
4 plows	20 00
1 harrow	5 00
Forks and shovels	11 00
Iron bars and picks	5 00
1 hospital bedstead	40 00
1 wheelbarrow	3 00
2 axes	2 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 50

4 scythes and snaths	\$4 00
Hand-saws, plane and square	4 00
Iron vise, bit-stock, etc.	5 00
Drills and stone hammers	30 00
40 flour barrels	4 00
5 cords wood	40 00
5 tons coal	25 00
Garden vegetables	45 00
3 barrels flour	13 50
40 pounds crackers	3 60
12 pounds butter	3 00
15 pounds lard	1 50
1 gallon molasses	60
1 gallon vinegar	25
Pickles and preserves	8 00
125 pounds sugar	6 25
18 pounds tea	7 20
Spices	1 75
5 pounds tobacco	2 00
Grain and meal	7 00
5 gallons kerosene	50
1 kerosene barrel	1 50
1 stove	4 75
Wood saws and saw horses	4 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Sewing machine	10 00
Ice chest	45 00
Clothes wringer and tin ware	15 00
Lamps and lanterns	10 00
1 clock	4 00
12 cuspidors	6 00
10 bushels of corn	5 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel beans	1 00
26 iron bedsteads	100 00

7 feather beds	\$42 00
13 under beds	25 00
35 sheets	17 50
12 white blankets	12 00
20 colored blankets	20 00
40 pillow-cases	10 00
6 bedspreads	6 00
40 feather pillows	20 00
20 comforters	20 00
Towels	4 00
Table cloths	3 00
7 tables	5 00
1 walnut extension table	10 00
2 wool carpets	50 00
58 chairs	25 00
Brooms	2 00
1 churn	3 00
Coal-hods and shovels	5 00
150 feet hose	18 00
Fire extinguisher	30 00
Flat-irons	4 00
Soap powder	1 00
30 pounds soap	1 50
8 snow plows	100 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	125 00
1 sleigh	15 00
Carriage robe, blankets, etc.	15 00
Cooking range, hot water tank, etc.	70 00
1 lawn mower	6 00
50 gallons cider	5 00

\$2,470 40

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for Mrs. Hattie Wood and family . . .	\$148 05
Alexander Holbrook and wife . . .	34 91
Abraham G. Swain	2 00
Mrs. Catherine McKay	44 90
Mrs. Patrick O'Connor	8 83
Susanna Buckley	60 00
James B. Riley	104 00
William H. Spear and family	35 01
Eliza D. Parker	171 00
Gerald Farrell	4 00
William J. Carroll and family	72 00
Mrs. William Barrows and daughters,	173 92
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	83 05
Mrs. John De Neil	66 00
Mrs. Isaac Holbrook	113 32
Mrs. William Campbell	38 30
Mrs. Luke O'Riley	99 23
John Leahy and wife	124 90
Mrs. Mary Welch, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	92 05
William F. Wills, at State Farm	146 00
Bridget Kennedy	1 86
Richard Heney	12 80
Ellen French	8 00
Mrs. James Butler	45 00
Mrs. Mary Morgan	11 90
Horace Holbrook, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Margaret Ward, at Tewksbury	112 08
Emma C. Lincoln, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46

Timothy Donahoe, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	\$169 46
Mark E. Purcell, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Hugh Currie	6 40
Charles H. Wood	3 33
Susan Acherson	61 98
Thos. F. Riley, House of Angel Guardian,	112 00
Wm. R. Farquhar, at Westboro Asylum,	169 48
Thomas Donahoe	21 45
Edward T. Hand, at Foxboro' Dipso- mania Hospital	86 35
Family of E. T. Hand	30 75
Timothy C. Shea, at Boston City Hosp'l,	30 00
Mrs. William A. Kimball	23 69
Mrs. Hannah P. Clark	56 00
James A. Neary	35 00
Thomas F. Kiley, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	123 96
Family of William Shields	34 50
Walter S. Roel, at Foxboro' Dipsoma- nia Hospital	140 21
David J. Foley family	15 85
Mrs. C. A. Allen and family	205 29
John Trainor	20 00
Mrs. Julia Ainslie and family	162 90
Mrs. Rob't McAuliffe and family (Milford)	221 28
Cornelius O'Keefe and family	11 60
Sundry persons*	96 05
Mrs. Eunice Holbrook	22 00

\$4,179 02

*Credit by aid refunded 53 00

\$4,126 02

Appropriation, 3,800 00
 Overdrawn, 326 02

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Mrs. Elizabeth Green	\$65 50
Michael Lagan	13 85
Mrs. Ellen Fox	9 40
Charles H. Abbott, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
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	\$258 21

Appropriation, \$300 00
 Unexpended, 41 79

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for George E. Pratt, Braintree	\$2 00
Olive M. Jones, Braintree	96 50
Refunded, Canton	15 66
Mrs. John E. Glover, Quincy	14 15
Wilfred N. Pendergrass, Holbrook	112 00
Albert and John Lang, Taunton	73 00
Almira Fowle, Milton	66 00
George F. Parish, Gardner	28 20
Francis E. Wilder, Boston	16 50
To be refunded, Weymouth	8 00
W. R. Lynch, Brockton	9 00
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	\$441 01

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid for Patrick Madigan and family	\$153 45
To be refunded by the State.	

LOCK-UP.

Paid Colin Boyd, salary as keeper	\$100 00
Colin Boyd, supplies	68 35
D. B. White, coal	12 25
W. B. Spear, painting	14 64
Frank L. Smith, coal	5 10
C. H. Belcher, supplies	11 06
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	\$211 40

Appropriation, \$200 00

Overdrawn, 11 40

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Kate and Agnes Meaney	\$346 23
Michael Dumphy family	119 96
John E. Mann and family	61 00
Lawrence Leavitt and family	19 80
Elvira Holbrook	67 50
C. V. Sloan and family	62 98
Margaret Morrissey	72 00
Christiana Sloan	31 05
Mary Mullins	72 00
Albert Howard and wife	48 00
Lysander P. Morse	8 00
Mrs. B. F. Jones	24 06
Lewis N. Weathee, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Estella V. Faunce, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
George F. French	12 00
George Kiley, at House of the Angel Guardian	90 00

Paid for Thomas F. Hand	\$3 33
John Crosby	54 82
Richard Adams*	21 55

\$1,453 20

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00
Amount paid by Holbrook,*	492 40
Unexpended,	39 20

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE, 1895.

Paid Emery A. Allen, M.D.	\$26 00
Visits to W. D. Barrows' family.	

Paid Warren M. Babbitt, M.D.	41 67
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Visits made Mary O'Connor	4
Abby Holbrook	27
Thomas Donahoe	1
Thomas Curran	2

Paid Augustus L. Chase, M.D.	50 00
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Visits made Mrs. Chandler	27
Mrs. Geo. F. Parish	13
Mrs. Hannah Clark	44
D. J. Foley family	6

Paid Charles C. Farnham, M.D.	50 00
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Visits made Christiana Sloan	31½
Thomas Donahoe	18½
William Doyle	1
Bartholomew Gill	1½
Tramp	5

Paid Frank C. Granger, M.D.	50 00
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Visits made Joseph Fritz	59
Bartholomew Gill	6

*refunded \$7.50.

Paid Dennis F. Kinnier, M.D.	\$50 00
Visits made John Leary . . .	37
Mrs. Michael Lagan . . .	23
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	\$267 67
Appropriation, \$400 00	
Unexpended, 132 33	

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE SELECTMEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$380 01
board of Augusta Thayer	130 00
Martin Packard, boiler and engine . . .	50 00
license, merry-go-round	5 00
George R. Weaver, produce sold . . .	30 37
Ann Brophy, sale of real estate . . .	50 00
Michael Mackedon, road picking . . .	25
aid refunded, various parties	92 76
fire department, refunded	12 25
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	\$750 64

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1896.

For schools (see report of School Committee) .	\$9,185 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees),	2,200 00
town officers	2,400 00
miscellaneous expenses	2,400 00
repair of highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	500 00
poor in almshouse	1,500 00
poor out of almshouse	3,600 00
soldiers' relief	300 00

For poor of Randolph and Holbrook . . .	\$1,000 00
military aid	250 00
electric lighting	3,200 00
water works (see report of Commissioners),	7,000 00
interest of town debt	2,200 00
Fire department (see report of Engineers),	2,220 00
Board of Health	200 00
State paupers, lockup and tramp . . .	200 00
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	\$42,355 00

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,
Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual meeting, March 2, 1896 :

Name.	Occupation.
Alden, Albert M.	Retired.
Alden, Weston P.	Operator.
Arth, Ernst	Cigar manufacturer.
Brady, John F.	Laster.
Batchelder, H. P.	Retired.
Bigelow, John	Laborer.
Binney, George L.	Farmer.
Blanche, Richard	Stableman.
Burke, James	Cobbler.
Cain, Patrick	Laster.
Casey, Peter	Laster.
Chessman, S. L.	Hotel keeper.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Croak, William A.	Carpenter.
Curran, John	Laborer.
Dennehy, Daniel D.	Cutter.
Dolan, Charles S.	Shoe maker.
Donovan, Michael A.	School committee.
Eddy, George H.	Provision dealer.
Elliot, George A.	Laster.
Field, John H.	Express messenger.
Fox, Thomas	Laster.
French, Fred A.	Fancy goods dealer.
French, George M.	Patent medicine manufacturer.
Frizzell, William	Retired.

Gibbons, Daniel	Boot manufacturer.
Good, William	Laborer.
Hand, Peter B.	Water commissioner.
Hagney, Arthur	Boot and shoe manufacturer.
Henderson, Duncan	Blacksmith.
Holbrook, Columbus	Shoe maker.
Howard, Charles H.	Retired.
Jones, Rufus	Farmer.
King, Evander F.	Retired.
Kinnier, Patrick	Laster.
Long, Edward	Operator.
Lyons, Walter H.	Sewing machine dealer.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.
Mann, Horace P.	Coal carter.
McAuliffe, Robert	Laborer.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Cigar manufacturer.
Niles, Amasa S.	Retired.
O'Brien, James	Laborer.
Paine, Lewis B.	Shoe maker.
Poole, George A.	Operator.
Porter, Franklin	Druggist.
Porter, William	Farmer.
Roberts, William R.	Poultry dealer.
Scanlon, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Taber, Edwin A.	Farmer.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Farmer.
Wilbur, Selwyn	Shoe operative.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,

Selectmen of Randolph.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The School Committee believe that they are justified in reporting that your schools during the past year have maintained a standard of excellence which is creditable to the town. We do not mean to imply that there are no lines along which improvement may not be sought. Educational methods and appliances are developing with the other great factors of progressing civilization, and while it cannot be said, in our opinion, that every innovation is for the better, the result is a gradual advance. The endeavor on the part of the School Committee and the teacher should be to carefully select and adopt the best. We are satisfied that the corps of teachers, which has been now substantially unchanged for a good many years, is thoroughly competent, and, if encouraged by the co-operation of parents and pupils, will continue to do excellent work.

We are convinced, however, as we have repeatedly heretofore suggested in these reports, that the employment of a superintendent, in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes, would considerably enhance the efficiency of the schools. The town of Randolph now occupies the somewhat unenviable position of being one of the comparatively few towns in the Commonwealth not employing such an official. It is needless to say that, should the town vote in accordance with this suggestion, we hope it will make an effort to secure the services of a thoroughly experienced and competent man. An inefficient superintendent would be infinitely worse than none.

The Statute (1893, Chap. 200) provides that the State shall contribute \$750 towards the superintendent's salary, and in addition thereto shall pay the sum of \$500, to be apportioned among the towns uniting, to be used for the payment of teachers' salaries. It ought to be possible to obtain the services of a desirable man for about \$1500 a year, and if so, the expense to each town forming the union would not be large.

BUILDINGS.

Although the school administration is, as we have said, excellent, the time is soon coming, if indeed it has not already come, when we ought to make some very material changes in, or additions to, our building capacity and accommodations. With the exception of the Prescott School (graded) and the West Corner School (ungraded), we have no school buildings which we can contemplate with any complacency, and of these, the former is by no means modern, and we have been, as the town will remember, several times directed by the State Board of Police to make changes in it which will necessitate the expenditure of a large sum of money. Judging from estimates received last year in this connection, this expense will probably be between \$2000 and \$3000, and we are likely to be imperatively called upon to incur it at any time.

The High School rooms are unquestionably inadequate for modern requirements as to space and conveniences; the North Grammar School needs to be somewhat enlarged before the beginning of another school year. Almost all the buildings occupied by ungraded schools require considerable refitting and repairing to make them comfortable and convenient. In our request for appropriations, we have asked for \$300 for painting some of these buildings.

In view of the necessity of these repairs, which in the aggregate will cost a good deal of money, is it not better

for the town to contemplate, as a change to be made within the immediate future, the construction of a commodious and modern union-building, in some central locality, to be occupied by the High School and by the Prescott and North Grammar Schools? As we are now situated, we have assumed that the town would be unwilling to vote to raise money for this purpose during the current year, but we desire to remind you that such a change is not only desirable, but that it will soon be a necessity, and that, in view of the condition of our buildings to which we have already referred, it will be a saving of some expense to proceed as soon as possible to the construction of such an edifice. Some of the neighboring towns have recently erected a school building of this sort, and we should not be behind them in this, as we have not been in other large public improvements.

CHANGES IN THE SCHOOLS.

There have been two problems to which our attention has been directed during the past year. One has been disposed of, but the other still remains unsolved. We found early in the year that, owing to circumstances which it is perhaps not necessary to explain, there had been an accumulation of pupils in the grammar grade taught by Miss Kiley in the Prescott building, to such an extent indeed that no one room in the building would hold the children, and it was impossible for the teacher to properly care for them. We therefore established another grade, or sub-grade, comprising the younger of these children, and placed it under the charge of Miss Mary A. Molloy. Miss Wren was promoted to fill the position left by Miss Molloy, and Miss Fannie A. Campbell was elected to take Miss Wren's place. The number in the various grades is now smaller and more uniform, which will result in better work.

The problem still unsolved is as to the Tower Hill School.

The attendance there has been for the last two or three years somewhat too large for an ungraded school with but one teacher. We feel that one of two things must be done during the coming year: either to establish an additional school in the vacant room on the first floor of the building — which can be done with very little expense aside from the salary to be paid to the teacher — or to make arrangements for the conveying of some of the children to the Prescott School district. We are inclined to recommend the adoption of the latter plan for the present, but hope to discuss the matter in its various bearings, and to present figures at the coming annual town meeting.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

The monthly teachers' meetings, though somewhat interfered with, have been continued during the year, and have been found to be of great benefit to the teachers and the School Committee. They afford an opportunity for the discussion of matters of general interest, both as to methods of instruction and discipline and as to all questions affecting the administration of the schools. The attendance at these meetings has been good, and there have been many suggestions made which have proved of value.

EXPENSES.

There have been no extraordinary disbursements for the schools during the past year, and we have endeavored to expend our appropriations as economically as we could consistently with that liberal and progressive policy which this town has always maintained towards its schools.

A detailed statement of the expenditures in this department for the year ending December 31, 1895, is annexed to this report.

The amount which we have asked the town to appropriate

for the current year (see page 43) is somewhat in excess of that asked for last year. This difference is readily explained by a comparison of the estimates for the two years, and is largely due to the contemplated expenses of painting, the transportation of pupils, and providing flags and flag-staffs for such of the school buildings as are now without them, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 181 of the Acts of 1895.

These estimates have been made up upon narrow margins and not upon the supposition that they would be cut down either by the Committee on Appropriations or by the town. We trust there will be no hesitation in voting them as asked for.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Margaret E. Barrett.	Hortense G. Hayes.
Willie Bustard.	Maurice Kiley.
Sophie R. Cole.	Eddie T. Loftus.
Bertha Devine.	Charles McCarthy.
Carrie Devine.	Ernest H. Payne.
Florence Devine.	Isabelle Pope.
Frances Devine.	Sammie Swindells.
Katie Dolan.	Judith Swindells.
Ernest Forrest.	Mabel V. Taber.
Cornelius J. Good.	Roland Tileston.
Maggie Hagar.	Roger Willard.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

Henry F. Ames.	Florence S. Holbrook.
Augustus Bagley.	Oscar W. Holbrook.
Carl Bolin.	Daniel E. Howard.
John Bolin.	Charles H. Jones.

Catherine Clark.
 Louis Courtney.
 Delia Cunningham.
 Edward J. Devine.
 Charlie Dyer.
 C. Gertrude Eddy.
 Frank N. French.
 Herman W. French.
 James E. Foley.
 Mary Gill.
 Thomas H. Good.

Sarah G. Jones.
 Annie Kiley.
 Maggie Kinnier.
 Charles E. Mahoney.
 Royal L. Mann.
 Henry McCarthy.
 Clarence Moulton.
 Thomas E. Reilly.
 Edland Savage.
 Cora E. Taber.
 Edward S. Thayer.

Bertha E. Tucker.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14 years of age.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Hugh J. Molloy . .							
	{ Isabel M. Breed . .	90	78	73	93½	40	18	0
	{ Edna Hilton . .							
PRESCOTT	{ Thomas H. West . .	51	44½	42½	94½	4	30	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Katie A. Kiley . .	58	43.7	41.1	94+	2	56	0
	{ Kittie E. Sheridan .	52	48	46	95	0	52	0
PRESCOTT	{ Mary E. Wren . .	37	34	32	94	0	15	0
PRIMARY,	{ Fannie A. Campbell	33	33	30	90	0	6	0
	{ Kittie R. Molloy . .	40	36	33	92	0	0	0
NORTH	{ Joseph Belcher . .	56	53½	50½	94	4	41	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Ellen P. Henry . .	39	38	35	92	0	38	0
NORTH	{ Emma D. Stetson .	35	33	30	90	0	32	0
PRIMARY,	{ Clara A. Tolman . .	40	32	28	87½	0	3	0
	{ Sarah C. Belcher . .	45	31½	28½	91	0	25	0
UNGRADED,	{ Hannah F. Hoyer .	48	43	40	93	0	18	1
	{ Lucie W. Lewis . .	29	24.9	20.1	80+	0	19	0
	{ Helen A. Belcher .	26	20	18	90	0	15	1

The Committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1896 :

For teaching	\$7,080 00
Care of rooms	550 00
Fuel	425 00
Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and general repairs	600 00
Painting school buildings	300 00
Books and supplies	600 00
Flags and flagstaffs	100 00
Transportation of pupils	200 00
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	\$9,855 00
Less estimated revenue from the dog-tax, and the State school-tax	670 00
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	\$9,185 00

ASA P. FRENCH,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

TEACHING.

Paid Thomas H. West,* 37 weeks	\$973 65
Joseph Belcher, 37 weeks	973 68
Ellen P. Henry, 37 weeks	423 56
Katherine A. Kiley, 37 weeks	438 18

*NOTE.—In the calendar year, 1895, there were only thirty-seven school weeks instead of thirty-eight, as usual. The amount paid to the teachers during the year has been, therefore, proportionately less.

Paid Emma D. Stetson, 37 weeks . . .	\$370 00
Katherine E. Sheridan, 37 weeks . . .	388 50
Mary A. Molloy, 37 weeks . . .	374 00
Mary E. Wren, 37 weeks . . .	370 00
Katherine R. Molloy, 37 weeks . . .	370 00
Clara A. Tolman, 37 weeks . . .	370 00
Helen A. Belcher, 37 weeks . . .	370 00
Lucie W. Lewis, 37 weeks . . .	370 00
Hannah F. Hoyer, 37 weeks . . .	370 00
Sara C. Belcher, $34\frac{1}{5}$ weeks . . .	342 00
Elizabeth G. Lyons, $2\frac{1}{5}$ weeks . . .	22 00
Fannie A. Campbell, $8\frac{4}{5}$ weeks . . .	70 40
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	\$6,595 97

FUEL.

Paid Lincoln Stetson, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord of wood . . .	\$2 50
Lincoln Stetson, preparing and putting in, . . .	1 50
J. T. Leahy, 2 cords cleft pine . . .	10 00
Michael Sheridan, preparing wood . . .	5 00
Edwin M. Mann, 28 feet prepared wood . . .	28 00
Joseph Jones, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord pine wood . . .	2 50
James Barry, preparing and putting in wood, . . .	2 00
Edwin M. Mann, 4 feet pine No. 1, 8 feet of oak, No. 4	9 00
D. B. White, 50 tons Lackawanna egg coal, . . .	257 50
George M. Johnson, preparing wood . . .	2 50
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	\$320 50

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid Martin Howard	\$60 00
Michael Sheridan	269 01
Eleanor Holbrook	44 05
Colin Boyd	6 00
Mrs. L. T. Stetson	25 35

Paid George M. Johnson	\$40 00
Mrs. Annie O'Halloran, cleaning	4 00
Mrs. George M. Johnson, cleaning	15 00
F. B. Thayer	25 00
James Barry	25 00
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	\$513 41

MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL.

Paid Charles H. Belcher, supplies 1892, '93 and '94,	\$49 50
Daniel H. Huxford, printing, etc.	22 75
Nelson Mann, truant officer	11 67
Frank J. Donahoe, truant officer	5 00
John L. Burke, census of school children	20 00
Thomas Donahoe, labor on vault No. 1	2 00
Daniel H. Huxford, school reports and advertising	15 00
S. M. Jones, labor, No. 5	2 50
Charles A. Wales, stoves, labor and stock,	135 30
Daniel Kiley, labor, No. 4	3 00
Charles H. Cole, labor, No. 4	8 35
Nathaniel Noyes, labor and stock	1 83
James Fardy, iron work for No. 2	3 90
James Barry, labor, No. 6	7 44
M. A. Donovan, cash paid	19 45
Charles H. Belcher, supplies 1895	29 15
Francis B. Thayer, labor and stock	1 00
Charles A. Wales, labor and stock	26 31
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	3 77
Insurance, J. W. Belcher and S. Mann, 2d,	90 25
F. A. Belcher estate, curtains, etc.	5 00
H. M. White, supplies	3 19
J. T. Leahy, labor on vaults, Prescott and Primary	5 00

Paid Frank H. Langley, iron rods, North Grammar School	\$2 10
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 \$473 46

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid J. L. Hammett	\$11 87
J. L. Hammett	6 25
J. L. Hammett	17 78
J. L. Hammett	2 61
Boston School Supply Co., 75 cents and \$3.25,	4 00
Boston School Supply Co.	4 50
J. L. Hammett	58 39
F. J. Barnard	8 58
University Publishing Co.	32 72
American Book Co.	46 63
J. L. Hammett	13 42
J. L. Hammett	20 52
Bigelow & Taylor	4 70
Edward E. Babb	1 55
J. L. Hammett, 92 cents and \$21.58	22 50
Prang Educational Co.	12 00
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	9 00
Thompson, Brown & Co.	25 00
Ginn & Co.	24 93
J. L. Hammett	13 13
J. L. Hammett	4 53
F. J. Barnard	15 00
William Fenton	3 65
University Publishing Co.	4 20
Thompson, Brown & Co.	25 53
Bigelow & Taylor	5 30
William Ware	2 10
Ginn & Co.	2 90
F. J. Barnard	3 30
Oliver Ditson	6 41

Paid Thomas Hall & Son	\$7 59
D. C. Heath	3 49
Ginn & Co.	18 47
J. A. & W. Bird	2 50
Silver, Burdett & Co.	5 34
J. L. Hammett	2 70
Boston School Supply Co.	3 25
American Book Co.	3 84
Silver, Burdett & Co.	15 24
Ginn & Co.	5 35
J. L. Hammett	5 91
Silver, Burdett & Co.	6 00
Ginn & Co.	7 50
J. L. Hammett	14 56
American Book Co.	9 41
Ginn & Co.	12 60
Ginn & Co.	6 25
J. L. Hammett	10 60
J. L. Hammett	19 48
American Book Co.	8 64
Ginn & Co.	4 43
Boston School Supply Co.	7 70
Silver, Burdett & Co.	6 00
Bigelow & Taylor	6 19
J. L. Hammett	12 82
American Book Co.	3 84
Carl Schoenhof, 76 cents and \$1.21	1 97
Bigelow & Taylor	3 98
J. L. Hammett	15 43
J. L. Hammett	3 42
Thomas Hall & Son	3 65
Maynard & Merrill	4 10
Bigelow & Taylor	1 90

\$657 15

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid Lincoln Stetson, setting five squares glass	\$0 75
James Riley, grading and repairing fence No. 4,	5 05
E. A. Perry, repairs on buildings	4 75
Randolph Water Works, 87 ft. service pipe and shut off	25 86
G. Jones, painting, etc.	3 00
Charles E. Lyons, labor and stock, Nos. 1, 2 and 4	10 42
E. A. Perry, labor	9 25
E. A. Perry, labor	8 25
John L. Burke, labor and stock, Nos. 1, 6 and 4	8 00
James Riley, labor, No. 4	18 92
James H. DeForrest, repairs, new screens, etc.	6 20
John L. Burke, labor at Prescott School, 7 days	17 50
M. M. Alden, labor and stock, Nos. 2, 4 and 6,	41 50
C. E. Lyons, labor and stock, whitewash- ing, etc.	9 29
John L. Burke, labor, Nos. 1 and 2	8 50
E. A. Perry, labor on locks, desks, etc. . .	8 18
Franklin Taylor, labor and stock	28 67
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	\$214 09

SUMMARY.

Paid teaching	\$6,595 97
Fuel	320 50
Care of rooms	513 41
Miscellaneous and incidental	473 46
Books and supplies	657 15
Permanent repairs	214 09
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	\$8,774 58

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

No change has been made during the past year in the securities representing this Fund. It was the policy of the early trustees to invest it largely in national bank stock, and it has so remained for a great many years. Last year, however, as stated in our report for 1895, we had occasion, for the first time, to reinvest about \$3000, and, after considerable deliberation, bought with it three Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5's. We have seen no reason to regret this investment. The Fund now stands as follows :

10 shares Eliot National Bank . . .	\$1,000
10 shares Hyde & Leather National Bank .	1,000
10 shares Shoe & Leather National Bank .	1,000
10 shares Exchange National Bank . . .	1,000
10 shares Boylston National Bank . . .	1,000
10 shares Tremont National Bank . . .	1,000
10 shares Old Boston National Bank . . .	1,000
10 shares Shawmut National Bank . . .	1,300
6 shares Webster National Bank . . .	600
3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent bonds,	3,000
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	\$11,900

The investment of the Turner Fund also is unchanged.

The exercises of the fifty-first annual commencement occurred on the twenty-first day of June last, at which time diplomas were presented to five pupils, as follows :

Latin Course.

Sara Jane O'Brien, Amy Elizabeth Tucker,
Ray Porter Blanchard.

English Course.

William Alfred Campagna, Isaac Roel Mann.

The Turner medals were awarded to Ray Porter Blanchard, the valedictorian, and Sara Jane O'Brien, the salutatorian.

At the beginning of the current school year the number of pupils in the school was 94, of whom 69 were pursuing the Latin Course, and 25 the English Course. Of the class of 37 which entered the school in September, 31 elected to take the Latin Course, and 6 the English Course.

In recognition of Mr. Molloy's very valuable services to the school, we have increased his annual salary from \$1400 to \$1500, which was the maximum amount paid his predecessor, Mr. Lovering.

At the close of the last school year, Miss Alice M. Smith resigned the position of assistant, which she had filled for two years to the entire satisfaction of the trustees. Miss Edna Hilton of Randolph was elected to fill the vacancy, and is doing excellent work.

The Treasurer's account is hereto annexed.

We record with sorrow, as we close this brief report, the death (on February 6, 1896) of the venerable Dr. T. T. Cushman, for many years a member of this Board and of the School Board. Dr. Cushman's services to the town in both these capacities cannot well be overestimated and should not be forgotten. We desire here to bear especial witness to the indefatigable zeal with which he always performed the responsible duties of his office, even when the weight of

years had begun to make them somewhat irksome ; to his genial and liberal bearing at the meetings of the Board ; and particularly to the patriotic and philanthropic heart in which the cause of education was held second to none in importance, for the welfare both of the nation and of the individual.

ASA P. FRENCH,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

Dr. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH

1895.

Jan.	1.	To balance old account		\$60 33
	31.	town appropriation in part		550 00
Mar.	11.	C., B. & Q. coupons, 3 at \$25		75 00
	25.	town appropriation in part		550 00
April	1.	dividends, Eliot National Bank	\$30 00	
		Hide and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00	
		Webster National Bank	12 00	
		Shoe and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00	
		Exchange National Bank	30 00	
		Boylston National Bank	30 00	
		Tremont National Bank	20 00	
		Old Boston National Bank	25 00	
		Shawmut National Bank	26 00	
			—	213 00
May	1.	interest Hide and Leather Bank, 4 months		1 81
June	18.	town appropriation in part		550 00
Sept.	1.	C., B. & Q. coupons, 3 at \$25		75 00
Oct.	1.	dividends, Eliot National Bank	30 00	
		Webster National Bank	12 00	
		Hide and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00	
		Shoe and Leather Nat. Bank	20 00	
		Exchange National Bank	30 00	
		Boylston National Bank	30 00	
		Tremont National Bank	20 00	
		Old Boston National Bank	25 00	
		Shawmut National Bank	26 00	
			—	213 00
	1.	interest Hide and Leather Bank, 5 months		3 51
	8.	town appropriation, balance of		550 00
Dec.	31.	rental of hall during year		89 00
	31.	tax on bank stock refunded by town		122 66
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				\$3,053 31

THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1895.

Feb.	1.	By paying Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	\$147 36
	1.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
	1.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
Mar.	1.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
	1.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
	1.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
	9.	Franklin Taylor, repairs . . .	4 20
	9.	Burditt & Williams, bill . . .	2 50
	11.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	28 00
Apr.	12.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
	12.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
	12.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
May	10.	Hugh J. Molloy, salary . . .	147 36
	10.	Isabel M. Breed, salary . . .	57 89
	10.	Alice M. Smith, salary . . .	55 26
June	6.	D. B. White, coal . . .	12 50
	7.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	147 36
	7.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . .	57 89
	7.	Alice M. Smith, acct. salary . .	55 26
	21.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	73 76
	21.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . .	28 99
	21.	Alice M. Smith, acct. salary . .	27 66
	21.	H. C. Kendall, bill . . .	1 25
	21.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	36 00
July	5.	Charles Doughty, bill . . .	8 60
	15.	American Bank Note Co., diplomas .	4 50
	26.	D. H. Huxford, bill . . .	18 00
Sept.	21.	William Mahady bill . . .	5 00
	27.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	157 89
	27.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . .	57 89
	27.	Edna Hilton, acct. salary . .	52 63
	30.	Franklin Taylor, repairs . . .	10 20
Oct.	5.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	6 55
	12.	C. E. Lyons, repairs . . .	7 76
	14.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	78 94
	25.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	78 94
	25.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . .	57 89
	25.	Edna Hilton, acct. salary . .	52 63
	29.	M. W. Baker, repairs . . .	12 93
Nov.	22.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary . .	157 89
	22.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary . .	57 89
	22.	Edna Hilton, acct. salary . .	52 63

Dec. 4.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	\$28 00
20.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary .	118 42
20.	Isabel M. Breed, acct. salary .	43 42
20.	Edna Hilton, acct. salary . .	39 47
30.	C. F. Alexander, bill . . .	4 00
30.	D. B. White, coal . . .	149 35
30.	Frank F. Smith, charcoal . .	9 00
30.	William B. Spear, bill . . .	11 00
30.	A. J. Gove, bills . . .	14 65
31.	Hugh J. Molloy, acct. salary .	78 94
31.	Trustees and Secretary . . .	20 00
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		\$2,912 42
Balance		140 89
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		\$3,053 31

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

RANDOLPH, February 11, 1896.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of Stetson School Fund as reported, and find them correct.

The investments for the fund are in stocks and bonds as reported by the Trustees, the par value of which is \$11,900, and are in the hands of the Secretary.

We also find a \$1,000 bond of the City of Minneapolis, the investment for the Turner Fund, same as reported.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
FRED M. FRENCH.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1895.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

P. H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD. FRED M. FRENCH.

Selectmen of Randolph ex-officiis.

NATHANIEL HOWARD.

JOHN V. BEAL.

JOHN B. THAYER.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

ASA P. FRENCH.

GILBERT A. TOLMAN.

MISS ALICE M. TURNER.

MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant Librarian.

MRS. FRANCIS O. HOWARD.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with Article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the twentieth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1895.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, Nathaniel Howard and John K. Willard) report that "during the year it has been found necessary to make repairs both in lighting and the water arrangements. The gas machine had about given out and it was thought best to introduce electricity. The cost of making the change was about one hundred dollars. In the fall it was found that the plumbing was in bad condition; new plumbing was put in at a cost of about two hundred and twenty-five dollars. With these changes completed the building is in good condition, with the exception of the frescoing in the library room and main hall."

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by

the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Miss Alice M. Turner and Mrs. Clara A. Wales), and the books, charts, and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition.

The following extracts from the twentieth annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees, contain a condensed statement of the present condition of the library, and a brief summary of the work accomplished during the year ending December 31, 1895 :

"The number of volumes reported last year was 12,396. There have been added during the past twelve months 353 books,—13 of these being purchased to replace condemned copies of books worn out in public service.

"Thirty-eight volumes of magazines have been bound, and placed upon the shelves, making our total as entered in the accession catalogue 12,749.

"During the year past the circulation of books for home use has reached 18,378, or an average of 66 daily, the largest daily circulation being 264 and the smallest 10.

"The number of volumes used at the library for consultation purposes is about 3,700.

"The teachers have drawn books upon their special cards for school purposes only, and for an unrestricted time, to the number of 286.

"There have been rebound 168 volumes, while nine have been condemned.

"The library has been open to the public upon such days and at such hours as the by-laws prescribe. The whole number of days being 277."

The librarian also states: "While I desire to see our readers giving their time and thought earnestly to studies in other departments of the literary field, I think every librarian must recognize the worth and commend the reading of the better and higher classes of fiction. Such works are alike

entertaining and instructive, and I consider it no reproach to a public library that so large a portion of its circulation are works of this class. Sir Walter Scott has taught as much history to the average reader as any English historian. John R. Musick, Jane G. Austin, and many others are indelibly impressing upon the minds of their readers the early history of the American Colonies: while Gen. Lew Wallace, in "Ben Hur," "The Fair God," and "Prince of India," has pictured more vividly the thoughts, customs, and events of great historical epochs than could a score of volumes which dealt with these same facts simply as matters of history. Experience is the best teacher, and in our own library has taught me that the better class of books commonly denominated fiction, albeit many of them are far from fictitious, are exerting a healthy and elevating influence, and that their selection and careful study is a most worthy testimonial to the good taste, culture and enlightened discernment of our people.

"During the July vacation the library was carefully examined and all the library properties were in good condition, no books being lost.

"The attendance in the reading room has been large, and excellent order maintained."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt, P. H. McLaughlin and Fred M. French), in compliance with the requirements of Article 10 of the by-laws of the Turner Free Library, herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1895, and ending December 31, 1895; also the result of their examination of the treasurer's accounts and of such estimates

and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts of the treasury during this period of time, as per accounts of John J. Crawford, treasurer, including the balance of \$69.99 of last year, were \$1,597.36.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$1,500.24, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$97.12.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasurer, the committee find that all bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file; and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate: that a cash balance of \$97.12 as above shown is now in the treasury and remains on deposit in the National Hide and Leather Bank, Boston.

"The committee further find that all the rents, the interest, and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library exclusive of the above mentioned balance consist of five thousand (5,000) dollars invested in a promissory note of the town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, and the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, known as the 'Turner Fund,' invested as follows:

"Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each;

"Two bonds of the Union Pacific Railroad Collateral Trust of \$1,000 each;

"Three bonds of the Kansas Pacific Railroad of \$1,000 each;

"Two bonds of the Burlington and Northern Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"After due consideration, the committee have decided to ask no appropriation from the town for the ensuing year for the general expenses of the library."

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1895, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

At the close of another year the trustees can speak only words of highest commendation and approval of the faithful and efficient work performed by the librarian and his assistant during the past year in the care and management of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1896.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY, JANUARY 1, 1896.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand January 1, 1895 . . .	\$69 99
Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . .	300 00
Charles H. Belcher . . .	250 00
Ladies' Library Association . . .	15 00
Received from town for permanent repairs (3 yrs.),	320 71
Turner Fund . . .	230 00
Church, bank and others for fuel	
and gas . . .	184 91
Fines and catalogues . . .	26 75
Interest on town note . . .	200 00
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	\$1,597 36

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DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books, magazines, etc.	\$617 69
Salary of librarian	500 00
Salary of janitor	125 00
Fuel and gasolene	65 26
Permanent repairs	115 04
Supplies	64 50
Express on books, packages, etc.	12 75
Balance on hand December 31, 1895	97 12
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	\$1,597 36

The shortage in the income of the Turner Fund is due to the non-payment of the coupons attached to the Kansas Pacific and the Union Pacific bonds.

The Turner Fund stands the same as last year and is invested as follows :

C., B. & Q. bonds, 3 at \$1,000	\$3,000 00
Kansas Pacific bonds, 3 at \$1,000	3,000 00
C., B. & N. bonds, 2 at \$1,000	2,000 00
Union Pacific bonds, 2 at \$1,000	2,000 00
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	\$10,000 00

The balance of the fund of the library is in the \$5,000 note of the Town of Randolph, which bears interest at the rate of four per cent per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

Randolph, Mass., January 1, 1896.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department submit the following report for the year 1895 :

ORGANIZATION.

On May 1, 1895, the department was organized as follows :

Board of Engineers.

C. A. Wales (*Chief*), John Haney, D. J. Brennan, C. Desmond (*Assistants*), W. A. Croak (*Clerk*).

Companies.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Steamer No. 2, James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Paine, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine, James A. Blanche, *Driver*.

Hook and Ladder Truck, Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon No. 1, Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel No. 2, Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1, 17 men, James Farrell, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. No. 2, 10 men, C. F. Bean, *Foreman*.

Hook and Ladder Truck No. 1, C. S. Dolan, *Foreman*.

Chemical Engine No. 1, J. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

February 16, on a still alarm, Hose 2 was called to a fire at 4.30 A.M., in the dwelling on North Street owned by

Ulfie E. Austin and occupied by J. M. Austin as a dwelling and store for small wares ; fire started near chimney and caused a damage of \$200.

May 7, 5 P.M., on a still alarm, Chief Wales was called to a fire in woodland owned by heirs of the late Royal Turner and located on the west side of Highland Avenue.

June 19, 5.30 P.M., Chief Wales and others were called to a fire in woodland located between North and Oak Streets.

June 20, 3 P.M., Chief Wales and others extinguished fire in woodland located between Pleasant and Allen Streets and owned by heirs of the late Jonathan Belcher.

July 21, 3.45 A.M., alarm for fire in the dwelling on West Street owned by heirs of Michael Kinnier and occupied by Michael Kinnier ; cause of fire unknown ; wholly consumed.

September 12, 1.30 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Mill Street owned and occupied by George W. Thomas ; damage, building, \$100, contents, \$300 ; cause of fire unknown.

September 5, 5 P.M., on a still alarm, members of the Chemical Co. were called to a fire on land of Felix Curran, where five stacks of hay, comprising about eight tons, were burning, which was wholly consumed.

October 4, 4.10 P.M., alarm for fire in unoccupied building formerly used as a piggery on Grove Street and owned by Lizabeth Gibson, of South Boston ; wholly consumed.

November 3, 3.35 P.M., alarm for fire in factory building on Main Street owned by J. W. Pratt and occupied by E. Cottle, dealer in cut soles ; partially destroyed ; cause of fire defective chimney.

November 24, 2 A.M., a building on North Street owned and occupied by F. E. Stetson as a piggery, was destroyed by fire, together with 35 or 40 pigs ; no alarm, as the fire was not discovered until the building was nearly consumed.

EXPENSES.

Paid 56 men \$12 each to May, 1895	.	.	\$668 00
56 men for 725 hours at 50 cents	.	.	362 50
56 men for 166 hours at 25 cents	.	.	41 50
for fires in woodland, at 25 cents	.	.	27 12
Engineer of steamer	.	.	40 00
Fireman of steamer	.	.	30 00
W. F. Sullivan, steward, etc.	.	.	54 25
W. M. Howard, steward, etc.	.	.	99 50
F. J. Donahue, steward, etc.	.	.	39 25
W. O. Halloran, steward, etc.	.	.	12 25
James Farrell, labor	.	.	6 00
John P. Rooney, labor	.	.	6 00
Colin Boyd	.	.	4 50
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus, 1 year to May, 1895	.	.	300 00
A. J. Gove, expressing, etc.	.	.	17 12
D. B. White, coal for houses	.	.	19 50
E. M. Mann, wood	.	.	4 00
E. L. Payne, care Steamer 2	.	.	5 00
A. S. Jackson, supplies to January, 1894,			38 10
J. L. Burke, setting glass, etc.	.	.	4 50
heirs Mary Sullivan, rent of land	.	.	10 00
insurance on apparatus 1 year	.	.	66 00
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			\$1,855 59

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four-wheel hose reel, one two-wheel hose reel, one chemical engine, one ladder truck, 3,500 feet of hose, extra ladders in houses of the chemical and Steamer No. 2, fire escape shute, jumping canvas, etc.

HOUSES.

The engineers of the department have endeavored to run the department without asking for a special appropriation for repairs of buildings, hoping that at a day not far distant the town would see the need of a larger, better and more convenient building to house its apparatus at the Central Station, near the Town Hall. The floor in the first story of this building does not last but a few years, it being so near the ground, and without proper ventilation underneath (no cellar) it soon decays; two or three years ago a portion of it was rebuilt, and, at the present writing, the rest is in danger of going down, with the risk of injury to the apparatus in the building. The other houses need some repairs, and especially paint. We shall be obliged to ask for an appropriation for repairs for the coming year.

FIRE ALARMS.

The matter of fire alarms having been referred to a special committee for investigation and report by the town at its annual meeting in March, 1895, we have nothing to say upon the subject.

FIRE LOSSES.

The loss by fire the past year to buildings and contents has been, in round numbers, \$18,900, on which there was paid insurance to the amount of about \$18,075. The damage caused by fires in woodland was about \$250.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR 1896.

We would recommend the same pay as last year for the following: \$12 per year per man, and fifty cents per hour for actual service at fires, and twenty-five cents per hour for guard or watch duty, fires in woodland and steward work, etc; engineer of steamer, \$40, fireman of steamer, \$30.

In asking for an appropriation for general or running ex-

penses, we have to say that several times in past years we asked for an increased amount which the committee on appropriations have seen fit, for reasons best known to them, to refuse.

We propose to ask for an increase at this time, and will give some of the reasons why we ask it. In past years the item of hour service has not been taken into account, that is, there has not been any estimate of amount that might be required included in the appropriation. The average amount required for this purpose for the past five years has been \$243. Another item is insurance. In former years this has been paid from the miscellaneous account of your honorable board, but in view of the fact that the town requires its business to be done on business principles, it has been deemed proper that this item be accepted by this department; we shall therefore have to ask for an amount to cover this item. Therefore, in accordance with the requirements of the department, as set forth, we ask to have appropriated the following:

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
For hour service (estimated)	225 00
For insurance	60 00
For repairs	225 00
For fires in woodland	50 00
Pay of 55 men	660 00
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	\$2,220 00

CHARLES A. WALES,
JOHN HANEY,
DANIEL J. BRENNAN,
CORNELIUS DESMOND,
W. A. CROAK,
Engineers of Fire Department.

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.



RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK WATER WORKS.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

We respectfully present to you the tenth annual report of the conditions of the water works, also reports of treasurer and engineer, for the year ending December 31, 1895.

In these reports we try to give as plain a statement of the different branches as possible.

The services of E. J. T. Dexter have been retained as engineer during the last year, and we have always found station and pumps in satisfactory order, and a good supply of water always in the standpipes. During the year he has made all repairs on pumps, boilers, etc.

The claim of J. T. Langford remains the same as at last report. By advice of our counsel no action has been taken on the same.

All claims for services of counsel are settled up to the present time.

We give below the opinion of our counsel, Messrs. Gaston & Snow, in regard to the case:

BOSTON, February 8, 1896.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph and Holbrook:

The case of *Langford v. Randolph and Holbrook* remains in the same position as it was a year ago. The plaintiff has not during that time pressed the case to a trial, and has given no indication of either fighting the case or assenting to the auditor's report.

There has been no expense to the towns incurred since the

filing of the auditor's report, excepting, of course, the running of interest upon the amount due the plaintiff.

We still believe it is wise for the towns not to press the matter to a trial at present.

We are, very truly yours,

GASTON & SNOW.

SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

Under section 6, Chapter 217 of the acts of the Legislature for the year 1885, the town is required each year to raise by taxation a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the current annual expenses of operating its works, and the interest as it accrues on the notes, bonds, or scrip issued under said act by said town; is to make such contributions to its sinking fund, and payments on the principal, as may be required under the provisions of said act.

The water bonds are due as follows. The first of the bonds are due :

April 1, 1897	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$10,000 00
April 1, 1902	.	.	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
April 1, 1907	.	.	.	.	.	.	20,000 00
April 1, 1912	.	.	.	.	.	.	20,000 00
April 1, 1917	.	.	.	.	.	.	40,000 00
May 1, 1918	.	.	.	.	.	.	20,000 00
July 1, 1922	.	.	.	.	.	.	25,000 00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	<hr/>\$145,000 00

The sinking fund is deposited in the Safety Deposit Vaults in Boston, and is invested as follows :

Three (3) Fitchburg Railroad bonds, 4½ per cent,	\$3,000 00
Three (3) Old Colony Railroad bonds, 4 per cent,	3,000 00
One (1) Maine Central bond, 6 per cent	500 00
Seventeen (17) Town of Randolph water bonds,	
4 per cent	17,000 00
Abington Savings Bank	1,000 00
Brockton Savings Bank	1,000 00
North Easton Savings Bank	1,000 00
Quincy Savings Bank	1,000 00
Four (4) City of Cleveland bonds, 4 per cent	4,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank	767 19
Exchange National Bank, cash on deposit	4,017 50
Interest due from savings banks	440 00
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	\$36,724 69

After a careful investigation of the sinking fund account, the commissioners have decided to reduce the amount asked for from \$3,575 to \$3,000, and in making this reduction we feel satisfied that amount, together with the interest added, will be sufficient to meet all payments on the bonds when due.

This will depend on the investments of the sinking fund and also the future rates of interest received on the same.

But we feel that it is unnecessary to tax the people at the present time more than needed.

The commissioners recommend an appropriation for the ensuing year :

For sinking fund	\$3,000 00
For interest on water loan	2,000 00
For hydrants and other public uses	2,000 00
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Total	\$7,000 00

The actual standing of the water works is :

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To \$143,000 water bonds sold	\$143,000 00
Amount due J. P. Langford unknown.	

CR.

By \$2000 water bonds unsold	\$2,000 00
Amount in sinking fund	36,724 69
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	38,724 69
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	\$105,275 31

With amount due on above suit.

We have unsold at the present time (2) two bonds of \$1000 each.

During the last year we have sold (2) two \$1000 bonds, for which we received \$2,139.64.

This amount was used towards the extensions on Mill, High and Canton Streets.

As there has been some difference of opinion in relation to the election of the treasurer of the water works, we have consulted with our counsel, and we give his opinion on the matter :

Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, by virtue of which the town was authorized to supply itself with water, is silent with respect to the custody of the sinking fund and receipts, except that it provides that the water commissioners shall be trustees of the sinking fund. There is no general provision of the statutes affecting this question, except that it is provided in Chapter 27, Section 105, of the Public Statutes, that the treasurer shall receive and take charge of all money belonging to his town, and shall pay over and account for the same according to the order of such town, or of the officers thereof duly authorized in that behalf. I am of the opinion that the Town Treasurer is the proper custodian of the funds and proceeds of the water works, and that

he is to pay the money out according to the order of the commissioners, who are created trustees thereof by this act to which I have referred."

As the amount in the sinking fund is constantly increasing, we think that his bonds should be increased in proportion.

EXPENDITURES AND MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, JOINT WORKS,

For year ending December 31, 1895.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary for one year as engineer	\$1,100 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid out	3 00
J. White Belcher, insurance on station	52 50
John Underhay, insurance on station	52 50
Seth Mann, 2d, & Co., insurance on station,	52 50
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith bill	27 92
N. H. Tirrell, painting wagons	27 40
Charles E. Lyons, mason work at station,	8 00
Brockton Iron Co., castings	4 77
H. M. White & Co., supplies	13 23
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings at station	68 26
Wm. B. Spear, painting coal shed and station,	30 49
Boston Woven Hose Co., valves for pump,	25 79
James Fardy, repairs on wagons and blacksmith's bill	21 49
Daniel B. White, coal bill	795 65
Edwin M. Mann, wood for station	2 50
Champion Flue Cleaner Co., flue cleaner	4 00
Robert McLennan, repairs on harness, etc.	8 85

Paid Electric Gas Lighting Co., supplies	\$3 34
Loring & Howard, paper for house at station,	7 87
Page Belting Co., supplies	8 68
Samuel Walker Oil Co., oil	5 67
Joshua Dean, castings	7 69
A. W. Chesterton & Co., supplies	7 48
H. W. Johns & Co., supplies	42
Roberts' Iron Works Co., castings for boilers,	13 59
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., freight	85
C. A. Wales, hose and oilers for station	9 25
Pay-roll for year ending Dec. 31, 1895	368 89
Charles H. Belcher, bill for supplies, 1893, 1894, 1895	35 94
C. A. Wales, services year ending December 31, 1895	120 00
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	\$2,888 52

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid John W. Porter, coal bill	\$789 99
Frank G. Morse, pulleys and shovels	5 20
Walworth Mfg. Co., drills	6 38
George T. Wilde, supplies	3 38
Richard Adams, rent of stable	24 00
White & Crooker, hay, grain and teams	117 64
C. H. McCarter, blacksmithing	6 20
F. J. Wetherell, repairs and supplies	2 15
Willard F. Gleason, for services on joint works	100 00
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	\$1,054 94
Paid by Randolph	\$2,888 52
by Holbrook	1,054 94
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	\$3,943 46

One-half to be paid by each town	\$1,971 73
Paid by Holbrook	1,054 94
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	\$916 79
Amount due Randolph from Holbrook, on joint maintenance	916 79
Cr. by one-half price received from old wagon, \$12.	6 00
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Amount due Randolph from Holbrook and paid,	\$910 79

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.—RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Gilchrist & Taylor, pipe and fittings	\$115 84
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith bill	56 43
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R., freight bills	297 70
Gaston & Snow, balance of bill for service from April, 1889, to January 17, 1894.	435 95
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	44 80
M. J. Drummond, 6-inch iron pipe	1,184 67
Chapman Valve, hydrants and gates	234 70
James Fardy, blacksmith bill	7 93
Chadwick Lead Co., lead and pipe	107 66
Builders Iron Foundry Co., branches, etc.,	31 73
National Meter Co., meters	142 30
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe and fittings	189 66
Sumner & Goodwin, fittings	35 64
W. D. Hatchfield, blacksmith bill	8 45
George Woodman Co., stop and wastes and gate boxes	99 58
Boston Lead Co., lead pipe	9 30
Edwin M. Mann, wood	4 75
Crosby Steam Gage Co., supplies	2 00

Paid Union Meter Co., repairs	\$1 00
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock fuse	20 20
Waldo Brothers, tools and cement	30 20
M. M. Alden, lumber and labor	6 46
Joshua Dean, casting	25
C. A. Wales, soldering corporations, solder and supplies	12 95
Pay-roll for the year, on extensions, service work, etc.	2,485 98
Total	<u>\$5,566 13</u>

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.— RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Daniel H. Huxford, printing water bills, reports, etc.	\$49 00
H. M. White & Co., supplies	6 70
C. D. Hill, supplies	6 55
Edwin M. Mann, wood for office	2 25
Charles H. Belcher, supplies	8 30
John L. Burke, painting hydrants	18 07
N. F. Goldsmith, rent of office	85 00
Peter B. Hand, service as Water Commis- sioner for year ending March 4, 1895	100 00
Daniel B. White, service as Water Commis- sioner for year ending March 4, 1895	100 00
C. A. Wales services as chairman of Water Commissioners, care of water works, and use of horse for year ending January 1, 1896	480 00
Total	<u>\$855 87</u>

RANDOLPH ACCOUNT.

Received from Town of Randolph for sinking fund	\$3,575 00
Town of Randolph, for interest account	3,500 00
Town of Randolph for hydrants public buildings, etc. . . .	2,000 00
Water rates	5,927 56
Service pipes	658 47
Town of Randolph, for labor	15 50
Stop and waste	6 50
Old iron	2 80
364 lbs. of 6-in. pipe, 2c. per lb. . . .	7 28
Rend rock	1 00
Old wagon	12 00
96 ft. 6-in. pipe, 2,880 lbs., sold to Holbrook	28 80
Total	<u>\$15,734 91</u>

Paid for maintenance account	\$2,888 52
Randolph construction account	5,566 13
Randolph maintenance	855 87
Interest on water bonds	2,180 00
	<u>\$11,490 52</u>

Received from Town of Holbrook, $\frac{1}{2}$ maintenance account	910 79
	<u>\$10,589 73</u>

Orders drawn on Treasurer, Nos. 730 to 795 . \$11,490 52

At the time of closing our accounts for the past year, which was after the settlement with the Holbrook Water Works, there are outstanding bills against the Randolph Water Works of less than one hundred and fifty dollars, (\$150.00) as far as we know, with the amount due J. T. Langford.

We are glad to still report an increase of \$347.11 from water rates for the last year, and we think that we can safely say that they will continue to increase during the next year.

The receipts have increased every year, as will be seen by figures below.

Receipts for the first year :

1888	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,282 90
1893	.	.	.	.	.	5,383 85
1894	.	.	.	.	.	5,580 45
1895	.	.	.	.	.	5,927 56

As the question is often asked how near the works are to paying the expenses, we give the following statement :

The amount of interest due each year at present is

.	.	.	.	.	.	\$5,640 00
One-half joint maintenance account, 1895	.					1,971 73
Randolph maintenance account, 1895	.					855 87
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						\$8,467 60

Received from water rates	.	.				\$5,927 56
town, hydrants, etc.,						2,000 00
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						7,927 56
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						\$540 04

It should not be forgotten that the amount paid by the town on account of hydrants (149), public buildings, etc., is very small to what would have to be paid to a private company for the same.

The last year, from the receipts of the water rates we have

paid towards the interest account on water bonds twenty-one hundred and eighty dollars (\$2,180.00).

The amount required for the extensions on Mill, Canton and High Streets above the amount received from the bonds sold (2), \$2,139.64, has been received from the same.

In the extensions made during the last year, we were fortunate in meeting but a small amount of ledge on the first part of the extension on Mill Street, and some ledge and boulders which required blasting on Canton Street.

In making these extensions employment was given to residents of the town, and all who applied were given a chance.

The price paid was the same as last year, fifteen cents per foot for digging, and two dollars per day for all other labor.

The pipe used was 6-inch of about 360 lbs. per length (12 feet). This was laid four and one-half feet deep to the top of pipe.

EXTENSION ON MILL STREET.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 380 feet 6-inch pipe .	\$114 00
Chapman Valve Co., 1 6-inch gate . .	12 56
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock and fuse .	5 20
Chadwick Lead Co., lead . . .	9 92
F. H. Langley, sharpening drills . .	2 58
John Harris, labor and care of lights .	12 90
M. Crowley, labor	4 50
F. Launder, labor	4 40
John Curran, labor	3 00
H. Welsh, labor	4 40
R. Hamilton, labor	3 00
William Shepard, labor	3 00
M. Good, labor	7 90
Silas Binney, labor	5 90
William Good, labor	4 50

Paid Antonio Dirosa, labor and carting pipe .	\$14 62
Tommaso Dirosa, labor and carting pipe .	11 38
Fred ———, labor	10 50
Henry ———, labor	10 50
Total	<u>\$244 76</u>

Cost per foot, including pipe, gate, etc., $64\frac{3}{9}\frac{9}{5}$ cents.

Cost per foot, not including pipe, gate, etc., $31\frac{2}{19}$ cents.

On this extension we have two (2) taking water and it extends to the entrance of estate of heirs of Daniel Leahy.

EXTENSION ON CANTON AND HIGH STREETS.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 4,420 feet 6-inch pipe .	\$1,350 88
Chapman Valve Co., 4 hydrants, 4 gates .	160 72
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches and sleeves	31 33
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	107 66
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse, etc.,	14 50
F. H. Langley, sharpening tools	18 17
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening tools	8 45
James Fardy, sharpening tools	6 83
Edwin M. Main, wood	4 75
C. D. Hill, kerosene and pails	6 55
William Mahady, labor with team	2 80
T. B. Jones, labor with team, gravel, and care of lights	28 50
M. Crowley, labor	79 00
S. Jones, labor and care of lights	82 00
William Dorr, labor	38 00
John Harris, labor	56 00
G. Foster, labor	41 30
T. Kiley, labor	46 80

Paid C. McGerigle, labor	.	.	.	.	\$7 00
M. Harty, labor	.	.	.	.	6 00
E. Grady, labor	.	.	.	.	9 50
John Desmond, labor	.	.	.	.	4 50
William Devine, labor	.	.	.	.	2 50
William Brennan, labor	.	.	.	.	25 60
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	.	.	27 70
P. Madigan, labor	.	.	.	.	13 70
Thomas Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	8 10
B. Manley, labor	.	.	.	.	24 60
William Lynch, labor	.	.	.	.	39 30
John P. Rooney, labor	.	.	.	.	28 40
John Manning, labor	.	.	.	.	40 10
B. E. Chase, labor	.	.	.	.	33 20
P. Mannix, labor	.	.	.	.	34 10
D. Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	34 20
E. Meighan, labor	.	.	.	.	12 20
F. Launder, labor	.	.	.	.	9 50
C. Purcell, labor	.	.	.	.	29 60
P. McConaty, labor	.	.	.	.	23 40
G. Baigalupo, labor	.	.	.	.	46 00
John Sheehan, labor	.	.	.	.	12 50
James Barry, labor	.	.	.	.	31 60
Edward Quinn, labor	.	.	.	.	22 80
Thomas Patten, labor	.	.	.	.	1 50
William Taylor, labor	.	.	.	.	2 70
John Curran, labor	.	.	.	.	39 90
Owen Cox, labor	.	.	.	.	3 50
Morton Holbrook, labor	.	.	.	.	46 00
Frank Riley, labor	.	.	.	.	41 10
James Hoye, labor	.	.	.	.	6 50
James H. Welch, labor	.	.	.	.	45 70
William Shepard, labor	.	.	.	.	43 10
R. Hamilton, labor	.	.	.	.	23 70

Paid J. Lyons, labor	\$22 40
T. De Neil, labor	18 80
T. Donahue, labor	15 70
J. Binney, labor	53 70
M. Good, labor	32 70
William Good, labor	26 00
J. O'Brien, labor	8 20
Peter B. Hand, labor	76 00
R. McAuliffe, team, carting pipe	10 50
Antonio Dirosa, labor and carting pipe	101 50
Tommaso Dirosa, labor and carting pipe	89 25
Fred ———, labor	75 25
Henry ———, labor	77 50
Total	<hr/> \$3,471 54

Cost per foot, including pipe, hydrants, gates, etc., $78\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

Cost per foot, not including pipe, hydrants, gates, etc., $43\frac{7}{11}$ cents.

This extension runs from the Main Street at west corner to house of Thomas Kenney on Canton Street, and from the junction of Canton and High Streets on High Street to the residence of Thomas B. Jones.

There are six houses, two stables and two piggeries supplied from this main.

This work was all done in a careful manner, and in these extensions and those made last year we have had no leaks.

We leave the method of making these extensions to the judgment of the citizens.

We have on hand the different sizes of pipe fittings and tools necessary for repairs.

Up to the present time there have been six hundred and

sixty (660) connections made with the main pipe. This includes all public buildings, fountains, etc.

We have at the present time five hundred and ninety-one (591) paying water takers.

To show how generally the water is taken, we give a few streets, with the number taking water and those who are not :

	Takers.	Not.
Main Street, from Avon line to West Corner.	192	30
South Street, from Union to end of line .	28	8
Union Street, from Square to line . . .	33	7
Cottage Street, from Main to North . . .	21	4
Moulton Street	12	4
Pleasant Street	15	2

Allen, Roel and Mt. Pleasant, all but two (2) houses, and the other streets in town in the same proportion.

Through the courtesy of the chairman of the Water Commissioners of Braintree, Hon. James T. Stevens, we publish a report of the statistics of the consumption of water in various cities and towns, which may be of interest to some.

CHARLES A. WALES,

DANIEL B. WHITE,

PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH, February 11, 1896.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,

Auditors.

STATISTICS.

CITY OR TOWN.	Popu- lation 1893.	Average Daily Consump- tion. <i>Gallons.</i> 1893.	Daily Consump- tion per Inhabi- tant. <i>Gallons.</i>
Abington and Rockland	10,067	312,000	31
Andover	6,400	285,000	45
Attleborough*	8,036	218,000	27
Avon	1,619	55,000	34
Ayer	2,124	71,000	33
Beverly	11,802	843,000	71
Boston, Cochituate Works	444,575	47,453,000	107
Boston, Somerville, Chelsea and Everett, Mystic Works	128,458	11,162,000	87
Braintree	5,334	289,000	54
Bridgewater and East Bridgewater	7,472	145,000	19
Brockton	31,200	693,000	22
Brookline	13,847	1,216,090	88
Cambridge	76,250	6,123,000	80
Canton	4,634	186,000	40
Cohasset	2,586	56,000	22
Cottage City	1,302	58,000	45
Danvers and Middleton	8,630	571,000	66
Dedham	7,412	303,000	41
Easton	4,820	92,000	19
Fall River	84,916	2,334,000	27
Foxborough	3,005	81,000	27
Framingham	9,818	282,000	29
Franklin	5,341	126,000	24
Gardner	9,108	641,000	70
Gloucester	26,421	774,000	29
Hyde Park	11,281	490,000	44
Lawrence	48,128	3,153,000	66
Lowell	85,850	6,817,000	79
Lynn and Saugus†	69,653	3,744,000	54
Malden	27,006	1,451,000	54
Manchester	1,879	101,000	54
Mansfield	3,729	209,000	56
Marblehead	8,613	191,000	22
Marlborough	15,524	440,000	28
Medford	12,300	611,000	50
Melrose	9,971	652,000	65
Middleborough	6,605	197,000	30
Milton	4,713	129,000	27
Montague	6,695	323,000	48
Nantucket	3,343	86,000	26
Natick	9,514	354,000	37
Needham	3,305	106,000	32
New Bedford	55,000	4,998,000	91
Newburyport	14,805	564,000	40
Newton	27,151	1,386,000	50
No. Attleborough	6,946	165,000	24
Norwood	4,219	208,000	49
Quincy	19,470	729,000	37
Randolph and Holbrook	6,588	290,009	44
Reading	4,818	222,000	50
Revere and Winthrop	10,425	723,000	69
Salem	32,427	2,138,000	66
Sharon	1,817	34,000	19
Swampscott and Nahant	4,660	291,000	62
Taunton	26,513	1,061,000	40
Wakefield and Stoneham	13,987	553,000	40
Waltham	1,166	1,055,000	50
Ware	8,125	209,000	26
Watertown and Belmont	9,948	477,000	48
Wellesley	3,951	201,000	51
Whitman	4,948	189,000	38
Woburn	14,549	926,000	64

* May to December only.

† The growth of these places has been very rapid since 1890, and the estimates of population given by the superintendent have therefore been used.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

The station and grounds are in good condition. During the year the station and coal shed have been painted.

As to the condition of pumps, boilers, etc., we refer you to the report of Engineer Dexter and Hartford Steam Boiler and Inspection Company.

It will be necessary the present year to paint the house occupied by the engineer.

The Holly pump has been fitted with new valves during the last year.

No extra repairs or alterations are needed for the next year, as far as we know.

REPORT OF E. J. T. DEXTER.

To the Water Commissioners of Holbrook:

Gentlemen.—I submit to you my eighth annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending Dec. 31, 1895.

Everything at the station is in good condition. The pumps have both received a new coat of paint and varnish the past summer. The only thing in sight for the coming year is a set of grates for No. 1 boiler, and I would recommend the same as we put under No. 2 two years ago.

Following is the usual table showing the consumption for the year:

DATE.	Water pumped, gallons.	Daily average water, gallons.	Coal burned, pounds.	Daily average coal, pounds.
January	6,348,354	204,758	44,906	1,319
February	6,290,710	224,669	46,280	1,660
March	6,142,402	198,135	44,159	1,393
April	6,934,774	231,159	52,013	1,734
May	10,258,314	330,913	61,517	1,985
June	14,170,232	472,361	82,620	2,754
July	9,396,178	303,070	63,811	2,059
August	10,573,488	341,080	63,914	2,060
September	9,151,416	305,047	58,344	1,944
October	7,109,272	229,331	50,697	1,635
November	6,631,872	220,460	46,570	1,552
December	6,469,918	208,707	46,637	1,504
Total	99,576,930	272,814	661,468	1,704
Increase on last year .	3,611,600			

Respectfully,

E. J. T. DEXTER, *Engineer*.

BOILER INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

BOSTON, Mass., January 9, 1896.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the eighth day of January, 1896, by Inspector F. D. Terry :

H. T. Boiler No. 1.

Internally : The boiler is practically clean and free from scale, deposit or corrosion. The laps and flanges show no fractures or indications of weakness. The braces are sound and taut. The openings to steam and water connections are clear. The fusible plug is in good condition.

Externally : The heads, tube ends and shell plates are in good condition, showing no fractures, burns, blisters, or other defects. The safety-valve and boiler appliances are in good working order. The settings are in good condition ; the steam gauge was tested and found correct.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works, Randolph, Mass.

Boston, Mass., December 19, 1895.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the eighteenth day of December, 1895, by inspectors Taylor and Harden.

H. T. Boiler No. 2.

Internally : The shell, heads, tubes and dome show no serious deterioration from corrosion or other defects and are quite free from scale or deposit. Braces are sound and taut ; openings to steam and water gauges are clear. The fusible plug is wasted away and a new one should be put in its place.

Externally : The first plate shows some old thin blisters. The heads show no defects. The patches are sound. With the exception of two small fractures at the patch on first plate (from rivet holes to edge of plate) no fractures were noted. No leaks were noted at seams or tube ends. Appliances are in good working order. Steam gauge is correct. Brick work is in good repair.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works, Randolph, Mass.

GREAT POND.

The water supply remains the same, and during the past year we have still continued, as for a few years previous, to remove all grass, weeds and bushes around the edges, and it seems to grow less each year.

The State Board of Health require at certain times samples of the water, which is sent them from different parts of the pond and analyzed by them, and from the reports received the quality of the water remains good.

STAND PIPES.

The stand pipes have required no repairs the last year.

The present year the inside of both of them should be thoroughly painted, and this should be done, surely, every other year.

The ground about the stand pipes are in as good condition as last year.

WATER MAINS.

The condition of the mains inside and out seem to be as good as when put in.

There have been but five small leaks, and none which caused much trouble.

The mains have been extended the past year on Mill, High, and Canton Streets.

They now extend on :

Main Street from the Avon line to the West Corner, North Street from the Square to the Braintree line, with the exception of about 500 feet at the North Street bridge, and this should be completed as soon as convenient.

Maple Street from Main, partly to South Street.

South Street from Union to residence of Thomas Powderly.

Union Street from Square to Holbrook line.

Howard Street from Union to Plain Street.

Plain Street to North Street.

Short Street from Main to North Street.

Ward Street from Short to Cottage.

Mill Street from North to entrance of estate of heirs of Daniel Leahy.

Moulton Street from Short to Cottage.

Cottage Street from Main to North.

Pleasant from Main Street to almshouse.

Roel Street complete.

Allen from Main Street to the residence of F. W. Vye.

Mt. Pleasant from Main Street to the residence of M. M. Alden.

Belcher Street from Mt. Pleasant to North grammar school-house.

Liberty Street from Main to North Street.

Canton Street from West Corner to residence of Thomas Kenney.

High Street from junction of Canton Street to residence of Thomas B. Jones.

Chestnut Street from Main to residence of W. T. Piper.

West Street from Main to Canton line.

Gold Street from High Street to residence of Rufus Jones.

High Street from the residence of the late Jacob Niles to the residence of Robert Dickey.

Cross Street from West to residence of Thomas Riley.

Silver Street from West to Warren.

Fowler Street from Warren to residence of William Brennan.

Warren Street from Main to junction of West Street.

Highland Avenue from Warren to above shop of Alden & Schraut.

Depot Street from Warren to houses owned by Dr. E. A. Allen.

Wales Avenue from Main Street to residence of S. B. Woodman.

Woodlawn Avenue from Main Street to residence of S. D. Bradley.

Also small pipes on Oak Street to residence of Royal T. Mann; Orchard Street to residence of Albert F. Wentworth, on street to residence of Mrs. Winnett and a short distance on School Street.

In looking over the above it will be seen that the mains extend through most of the streets, and we think that the town of Randolph has been liberal in the extension of the

same, and that the majority are enjoying the great blessing of a good water supply, which is, as it should be, given to all as far as possible.

There are a few short extensions which remain to complete the works.

HYDRANTS.

During the last year four hydrants have been added, making 143 at the present time.

One of these is located at the junction of Canton and Old Streets.

One on High Street, opposite the residence of Thomas B. Jones.

One at the junction of Canton and High Streets, and one at the end of the line on Canton Street.

Two have had to be dug up and valves reground.

All the hydrants have been painted during the last year.

Late in the fall all the hydrants were tested, and quite a number had to be dug around and the drips opened. And they were left in perfect order for the winter, as far as it was possible to do so.

In submitting this report we extend a most cordial invitation to all citizens and strangers to visit our water works and judge for themselves.

For the great blessing our people should be thankful, and after once having it, how could we do without it.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH WATER WORKS *in account with* HIRAM C. ALDEN,
TREASURER.

1895.

Balance	\$535 55
Received of Water Commissioners, for water and pipe	3,499 41
of town of Randolph, for water, hy- drants, etc.	2,000 00
of town of Randolph, for interest on bonds	3,500 00
of town of Randolph, for two bonds sold,	2,139 66
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	\$11,674 62
1895. Paid sundry orders	\$7,948 29
box, safety deposit	10 00
town of Randolph, on account of interest	3,500 00
Balance	216 33
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	\$11,674 62

RANDOLPH, February 11, 1896.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Hiram C. Alden, as Treasurer of Water Commissioners, and found the same correct and the balance stated above to be on deposit in the National Exchange Bank, Boston, Mass.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

1895.

January balance	\$494 38
Received for Maine Central R.R. interest	45 00
for Fitchburg R.R. interest	202 50
for loan to town of Randolph	1,481 67
for loan to town of Randolph	800 00
for interest on town of Randolph	21 30
for interest Randolph Savings Bank	4 70
for Old Colony R.R. interest	60 00
for Cleveland, Ohio, interest	160 00
for town of Randolph interest	880 00
for town of Randolph	3,575 00
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	\$7,724 55
Paid for town of Randolph water bond	\$1,068 33
for town of Randolph water bond	1,071 33
By loan to town of Randolph	800 00
Balance	4,784 89
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	\$7,724 55

The sinking fund is invested as follows :

- \$3,000 00 Fitchburg R.R. bonds, 4½ per cent coupon.
- 3,000 00 Old Colony 4 per cent registered.
- 17,000 00 town of Randolph bonds, 4 per cent coupon.
- 4,000 00 Cleveland, Ohio, bonds, 4 per cent.
- 1,000 00 Abington Savings Bank.
- 1,000 00 Brockton Savings Bank.
- 1,000 00 Quincy Savings Bank.
- 1,000 00 North Easton Savings Bank.
- 767 19 Randolph Savings Bank.

\$4,017 50 cash deposited in National Exchange Bank.
 280 00 interest earned on savings bank deposits.
 500 00 Maine Central R.R. 6 per cent coupon.

\$36,564 69

RANDOLPH, February 17, 1896.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the sinking fund, and find it to agree with the statement above made.

C. G. HATHAWAY.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

WITH HIRAM C. ALDEN, TREASURER.

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1895, balance	\$16,449 32
Received for Treasury notes	50,800 00
of Selectmen, sundry accounts	687 24
for interest on taxes, etc.	1,157 44
State Treasurer account	10,063 41
Received for interest on water bonds and taxes	4,920 00
of County Treasurer	501 04
for water bonds sold	2,000 00
for additional taxes	70 65
for licenses	6 00
of city of Taunton, pauper account	104 00
of city of Quincy	24 15
of town of Holbrook, 1894 pauper account	591 68
of town of Milton, pauper account	42 00
for expense *	268 13
Tax bill for 1895	38,436 20
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	\$126,121 26

* Expense :

Court fees	\$266 10
Insurance policy	2 03
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	\$268 13

STATE OF THE TREASURY.

January, 1896.

Treasury notes	\$68,300 00
Water bonds	143,000 00
Interest due on water bonds	2,000 00
Interest due on treasury notes	1,300 00
Due firemen and outstanding bills	1,500 00
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	\$216,100 00

January, 1896.

Salt marsh, Quincy	\$300 00
Due from F. M. French, tax collector	18,936 20
Due for State aid	2,771 00
Due for military aid	180 00
Due from other towns	804 04
Amount of sinking fund	36,564 69
Amount for State aid paupers	153 45
Cash	6,006 52
Balance	150,384 10
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	\$216,100 00

RANDOLPH, Mass., February 10, 1896.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the account of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers, and entries made for payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
Auditors.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1895.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1895.		
Jan. 3,	———Miller . . .	Rupert and Sadie—Messinger
6,	Susie M. Hogan . . .	William J. and Helen C.—Allard
8,	Louis F. C. Meir . . .	Frank C. and Amelia—Bohner
12,	William H. Daly . . .	William H. and Annie B.—Leslie
16,	Marion L. Chaplaine . . .	Joseph and Clarissa—McBride
22,	Joseph P. O'Riley . . .	John and Kate———
24,	Granville H. Wright . . .	Fred T. and Sarah J.—Hestler
24,	Ernest Jones (dead) . . .	Albert E. and Edith A.—Leach
27,	———Powderly (dead) . . .	Albert and Sarah—McGaughey
30,	John F. Carroll . . .	William and Mary—O'Connor
Feb. 1,	Mary Tierney . . .	Michael and Kate—Tobin
6,	Dennis Kelliher . . .	Dennis and Rose H.—Riley
13,	John R. Duly . . .	Henry and Margery—Robb
24,	Anna C. Larson . . .	Peter and Marion—Trulson
Mar. 1,	———Kennedy . . .	Emerson C. and Lizzie—Spear
2,	Lewis J. King . . .	Lewis J. and Mary—Sweeney
2,	Millard E. Pratt . . .	George E. and Ella E.—Richards
3,	Mary M. Eagan . . .	John and Mary—DeCota
7,	J. Milton French . . .	Fred M. and Minnie—Smith
9,	Ralph E. DeForest . . .	Bela R. and Emma L.—Dyer
12,	Anna L. Robinson . . .	Walter H. and Anna M.—Hestler
17,	———Thomas . . .	John F. and Kate—Daly
20,	Edward J. Poulin . . .	Joseph P. and Minnie—Pooler
30,	Arthur H. Lyons . . .	C. Fred and M. Louise—Belcher
Apr. 13,	———Austin . . .	Ulysses and Mary—Fogg
17,	Alice M. Hayden . . .	Willie and Mary A.—French
20,	Martin G. Bean (dead) . . .	James I. and Sarah—Wingersky
23,	Mary Desmond . . .	John and Anna—Brosnahan
23,	———Davis (dead) . . .	Elmer and Mary—Bills
24,	Joseph Smith . . .	Martin F. and Mary—Callahan
24,	Marie E. Carroll . . .	Thomas and Sarah—Murray
24,	Charles R. Kiley . . .	Patrick and Letitia—Ray
May 1,	Mary Gill (dead) . . .	John and Julia A.—Mulligan
3,	Frederick A. Beal . . .	Samuel G. and Emma—Peterson
4,	Charles F. McCue (dead) . . .	Daniel and Ellen—Cunningham
May 5,	———Uniac (dead) . . .	Robert, Jr., and Bridget—Moran
17,	Herbert S. Jones . . .	Elbridge and May—Mann
25,	———Pinkham . . .	LeRoy and Hattie—Allen
26,	Margaret Curry . . .	Hugh and Margaret—Troy
28,	Margaret Rooney (dead) . . .	John P. and Mary—Dwyer

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
June 10,	Thomas H. Dowd . . .	James and Elizabeth—Carney
23,	— — — -Tirrell . . .	William and Cora—Fenderson
26,	Joseph Kiley . . .	Thomas F. and Joanna—Creden
30,	Alberta E. Bustard . . .	John W. and Henrietta—Morton
30,	Peter Madigan . . .	Patrick and Ellen—Scanlan
July 1,	Gerald F. Mahoney . . .	Jeremiah and Anna—Sullivan
8,	Gertrude Meany . . .	Patrick H. and Eliza—Flaherty
8,	James Sutton (dead) . . .	James F. and Ellen—Buckley
8,	Edith Carroll . . .	Patrick and Mary—Kelly
10,	Marie Sullivan . . .	Patrick J. and Mary E.—Brennan
15,	Mabel A. Panting . . .	William and Maria V.—Lothrop
17,	Rena M. Libby . . .	Horace F. and Ella—Edwards
29,	Ralph W. Cartwright . . .	Walter R. and Dora—Fadden
Aug. 13,	Frank C. Fischer . . .	Julius C. and Elizabeth—Kraut
15,	Blanche M. Holbrook . . .	Edgar C. and Gertrude—Lynch
30,	James H. Deane . . .	Patrick and Lizzie—Coakley
Sept. 1,	Alice M. Shepard . . .	Wm. H. and Mary E.—O'Connor
6,	Blanche Farrell . . .	Thomas and Ellen A.—Flynn
6,	Thomas W. Desmond . . .	Jeremiah J. and Maria A.—Whitty
7,	Winifred L. DeForest . . .	Arthur C. and Lena L.—Brown
20,	Madeline C. Dillon . . .	John P. and Mary A.—Cain
24,	Marion Carney . . .	James and Mary—Gibbons
24,	William J. Mann . . .	Edwin F. and Jennie L.—Taber
Oct. 3,	Grace D. Baker . . .	Chas. D. and Josie T.—Walbridge
8,	Elizabeth Simms (dead) . . .	Thomas and Elizabeth—
9,	Ella M. White . . .	George and Eva M.—Markand
11,	Harold I. Jones . . .	Clarence M. and Susie M.—Burgess
19,	Anna Ramsay . . .	Francis W. and Anna—Rogers
22,	S. May Johnson . . .	August and Korsten—Avonson
23,	Emma Allen . . .	Gustave and Eli'th F.—McAndrews
29,	— — — -Dee (dead) . . .	Thomas and Elizabeth—Simmons
Nov. 9,	Frances Brady . . .	John and Frances—Powderly
13,	Margaret Gill . . .	William and Ellen—O'Leary
21,	Francis Scannell . . .	Denis N. and Mary A.—Fahey
27,	Emilie P. Reynolds . . .	Herbert F. and Fanny P.—Hunt
Dec 18,	Henry W. Devine . . .	Edward and Mary—Flaherty
20,	Lena W. Cunningham . . .	David and Adelia—Williams
28,	Marie Hand . . .	Edward and Lizzie M.—Dillon
29,	— — — -Burrell . . .	George P. and Susie E.—Jones
1894.		
Dec. 23,	Ellen Stanton . . .	Michael and Ellen—Deady.

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1895.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE
1895.			
Jan. 30,	Isaac A. Post	So. Thomaston, Me. . . .	34
	May S. Whitcomb	Brockton	22
Mar. 19,	Walter L. Clark	Holbrook	24
	Anna C. Payne	Randolph	20
20,	Lester R. Packard	Easton	34
	Ida Alden Prescott	Randolph	24
23,	Albert H. Hunt	Weymouth	31
	Estelle M. Hollis	Holliston	22
Apr. 17,	James F. Sullivan	Randolph	31
	Elizabeth J. Sullivan	Randolph	30
24,	Edward H. Spidel	Randolph	26
	Emma E. Tibbetts	Randolph	27
May 2,	Charles F. French	Randolph	24
	Eva Elmira Hayden	Randolph	20
8,	N. Everett Buck	Randolph	54
	Phebe Belcher	Holbrook	38
11,	Patrick H. Sullivan	Randolph	33
	Mary Crane (Kidder)	Quincy	26
16,	James Reilly, Jr. . . .	Stoughton	32
	Edna M. Richards	Stoughton	22
22,	Avery Stetson	Brockton	21
	Ellen C. Nightingale	Randolph	19
June 5,	Henry A. Peach	Randolph	30
	Elizabeth M. Schraut	Randolph	27
12,	Thomas B. Horton	Brockton	25
	Grace E. Harding	Avon	18

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE
June 18,	Thomas F. McGrath . . .	Randolph	28
	Elizabeth M. Berie . . .	Wellfleet	24
26,	Patrick F. Riley . . .	Randolph	25
	Catherine E. Buckley . .	Canton	24
26,	William H. Leavitt . . .	Randolph	27
	Jennie F. White . . .	Randolph	25
July 1,	George W. Bailey . . .	Brockton	27
	Olive E. Wentworth . . .	Randolph	26
23,	Ernest W. Mann . . .	Randolph	29
	Ethel M. Paine . . .	Randolph	23
Aug 14,	Fred A. Spear . . .	Randolph	25
	Grace A. French . . .	South Braintree . . .	22
15,	Charles J. Foley . . .	Randolph	27
	Martha E. McGaughey . .	Randolph	26
19,	Richmond Driscoll . . .	Randolph	58
	Ann Willer (McKee)	Middleboro	45
Sept. 7,	Percy E. Blanchard . . .	Randolph	25
	Lillian F. Holmes . . .	Brockton	19
11,	John E. T. Hoxie . . .	Brockton	21
	Hattie L. M. Peterson . .	Avon	20
12,	Jabez Stetson . . .	Randolph	27
	Carrie Holbrook . . .	Randolph	20
18,	John B. McNeil . . .	Randolph	28
	Mary E. McGaughey . . .	Randolph	25
Oct. 23,	William R. Spear . . .	Randolph	22
	Hattie M. Fay . . .	Quincy	20
29,	Michael D. McGrail . . .	Ayer	41
	Ellen F. Dooley . . .	Randolph	32
27,	Fred B. Holmes . . .	Quincy	23
	Alice L. Fish . . .	East Milton	19
31,	William D. Edwards . . .	Randolph	24
	Mary E. Fennell . . .	Randolph	23
Nov. 13,	Harry F. Davenport . . .	Canton	26
	L. Etta May . . .	Canton	24

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE
Nov. 19,	Edward J. Lonnergan . . .	East Weymouth . . .	27
	Katie E. Gibbons . . .	Randolph . . .	24
20,	Charles Alden . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	Eva G. Spear . . .	Randolph . . .	23
27,	Joseph M. Donovan . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Catherine E. Gibbons . . .	Randolph . . .	23
27,	Charles De Cota . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	Mary Patten . . .	Randolph . . .	23
27,	John H. Joyce . . .	Brockton . . .	26
	Mary E. Buckley . . .	Randolph . . .	23
28,	John A. Hoyer . . .	Randolph . . .	30
	Mary E. Mackedon . . .	Randolph . . .	27
Dec. 14,	William R. Adams . . .	Brockton . . .	40
	Eliza E. Hayes . . .	Brockton . . .	36
18,	(Webber)		
	Julius E. Mann . . .	Stoughton . . .	25
	Minnie R. Abbott . . .	Randolph . . .	23

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN 1895.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
1895.					
Jan. 18,	Eunice C. Holbrook . . .	74	10	18	Pneumonia
19,	Abigail B. Harris . . .	72	11	3	Inflammation of bowels
27,	— Powderly . . .				Premature birth
27,	— Jones . . .			2	Convulsions
29,	Matthew Madigan . . .	1	5	13	Pneumonia
30,	Elizabeth T. Burrell . . .	69	4	8	Pneumonia
31,	Edward P. Curran . . .	41		13	Phthisis
Feb. 8,	Catharine F. Foley . . .	38	5	3	Morbus cordis
10,	Levi Linfield . . .	88			Chronic bronchitis
13,	Emeline M. Broad . . .	91	4		Gastropathy
13,	Washington Thayer . . .	74	11	23	Pneumonia
15,	Henry G. Beal . . .	67	11	27	Pneumonia
16,	Catherine Rooney . . .	79			Heart disease
17,	Mary A. Thayer . . .	67		26	Bright's disease
18,	George W. Peirce . . .	69	6	14	Apoplexy
23,	Mary Lagan . . .	58			Bronchial asthma
24,	Richard F. Uniac . . .	10	5	19	Diphtheria
Mar. 10,	Thomas Moore . . .	46	7	5	Pneumonia
14,	William J. Howe . . .	76	5	6	Heart disease
21,	Carl A. Nelson . . .	27	2	23	Valvular dise'se of heart
23,	Edward J. Poulin . . .			3	Infantile
24,	Martin Conboy . . .	57	10		Acute bronchitis
30,	Nicholas Moore . . .	82			Heart disease
Apr. 8,	Effie Pratt . . .	1	10	8	Pneumonia
9,	Mary Welsh . . .	68			Paralysis, insanity
10,	Dennis McCarthy . . .	70			Heart disease
13,	Catherine McKay . . .	56			Cerebral hemorrhage
20,	Cordelia C. Belcher . . .	81		23	Chronic articular rheumatism
22,	Johanna Carey . . .	54			Fatty degeneration of heart.
22,	Hannah Buckley . . .	67	10	23	Heart disease
23,	Rose Victory . . .	82			Heart disease
23,	E. Louise Belcher . . .	26	8	25	Apoplexy
23,	— Davis . . .				Premature birth
24,	Michael Brady . . .	77			Old age
25,	John Jones . . .	81	9		Apoplexy
May 5,	— Uniac . . .				Premature birth
11,	John Leahey . . .	64	9		Inflammation of bowels
14,	Rose Kenney . . .	56			Phthisis
21,	Mary A. Carroll . . .	23	1	20	Phthisis pulmonalis.
22,	Patrick Flood . . .	80	2	4	Chronic cytitis

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
May 29,	John F. Kennedy . . .	46			Phthisis pulmonalis.
June 1,	Martin P. Wetherbee, V.S.	53	9	29	Locomotor ataxy.
7,	Mary B. Turner . . .	67	8	27	Apoplexy.
12,	Catherine F. Donovan . . .	83	1	6	Morbus cordis.
15,	Susan Acherson . . .	72	1	7	Cancer.
23,	Ellen Madigan . . .	8	3	2	Malignant scarlet fever.
July 8,	Elizabeth A. Baker . . .	60	8	21	Empyernia.
8,	James Sutton . . .				Premature birth.
10,	Agnes T. Meaney . . .	20	1		Consumption.
19,	Ruth Webber . . .		4	5	Heamatisia.
24,	Catherine Burke . . .	74			Heart disease.
26,	James A. Neary . . .	43			Accidental.
Aug. 5,	Sidney French . . .	80	2	29	Brights disease
7,	Hannah Belcher . . .	80		27	Accidental
7,	Sarah J. Thayer . . .	61	2	24	Enlargement of heart
8,	Myra S. Lothrop . . .	59	1	22	Innaniition
15,	John G. Nelson . . .	65	6	25	Cancer
11,	Dennis M. Savage . . .	68		18	Cancer
20,	Edward Hathaway . . .	84	11	24	Old age
23,	Hannah Clark . . .	77	2	12	Disease of liver
24,	Joseph Kiley . . .		1	29	Acute enteritis
30,	Katie J. Meaney . . .	24	4	28	Phthitis
Sept. 2,	Dwight W. Leach . . .	59	8	8	Accidental
16,	Charles F. McCue . . .		4	6	Cholera Infantum
22,	Mary Gill . . .		4	22	Convulsions
23,	Margaret M. Heney . . .		11	13	Cholera Infantum
24,	Hannah Noonan . . .	63			Senility
26,	Hattie E. Parish . . .	41	11	26	Exhaustion
26,	Catherine Riley . . .	78	1	26	Heart disease
27,	Richard Heney . . .	74	6	10	Old age
30,	Addie L. Foster . . .		1	23	Morasmus
Oct. 4,	Margaret Rooney . . .		4	6	TuberculosisMeningitis
5,	Lavinia E. Field . . .	57	10		Chronic rheumatism
11,	Leonard Thayer, V.S. . .	76	5	15	Heart disease, apoplexy
23,	John Crosby, V.S. . .	54			Pyemia morbus cordis
29,	—Dee . . .				Premature birth
Nov. 4,	Patrick Desmond . . .	62			Railroad accident
4,	Jennie I. McLaughlan . .	16	11	36	Phthisis pulmonalis
10,	James McLaughlan . . .	15	4	4	Spinal disease
15,	William R. Panting . . .	27	1	5	Typhoid pneumonia
16,	Helen Langley . . .		2	28	Measles, congestion of brain
Dec. 17,	George Leahey . . .	38	11	23	Acute nephritis
5,	Everett L. Delano . . .	22		28	Acute nephritis
15,	Edmund Eddy . . .	80	7		Old age
20,	Catherine Fardy . . .	76			Cancer
23,	Adoniram Thayer . . .	82	8	14	Dementia
23,	Martin G. Dean . . .		8	2	Meningitis
25,	Helen L. Rikeman . . .	19	10	21	Phthisis pulmonalis
27,	Ellen White . . .	68			Senility

AGES OF THOSE DECEASED.

Under 5 years of age	18
Between 5 years and 10	2
10 years and 20	4
20 years and 30	6
30 years and 40	3
40 years and 50	6
50 years and 60	10
60 years and 70	14
70 years and 80	14
80 years and 90	12
Over 90	1
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	90

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Typhoid pneumonia, chronic bronchitis, hematitia, acute bronchitis, valvular disease of heart, innatition, cerebral hemorrhage, malignant scarlet fever, disease of liver, acute enteritis, spinal disease, measles, gas-trophy, enlargement of heart, bronchial asthma, diphtheria, infantile paralysis, chronic cytisis, meningitis, locomotor ataxy, dementia em-pyernia, consumption, exhaustion, marasmus, tuberculosis meningitis, pyemia, acute nephitis, 1 each.

Inflammation of bowels, convulsions, cholera infantum, bright's disease, chronic rheumatism, senility, 2 each.

Morbus cordis, 3.

Old agè, phthisis, accidental, phthisis pulmonalis, cancer, apoplexy, 4 each.

Premature birth, 5.

Pneumonia, 7.

Heart disease, 10.

Total, 90.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday, the second day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the fire department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves, under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law, to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate to the payment of interest on the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water, for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to renew its contract with Charles Doughty for lighting the streets by electricity, and to place additional lights on Roel Street, Fowler Street, High Street, Maple Street, South Street, South Main Street and Wales Avenue and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 14. To see if the town will pay the late Treasurer, Hiram C. Alden, the sum of seventy-five dollars, being amount paid by him for insurance on Treasurer bond, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to make certain alterations in or additions to the North Grammar school building, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 16. To see if the town will authorize the School Committee to make a contract to transport some of the pupils attending the Tower Hill school to the Prescott or North Grammar school, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 as amended,

and to unite with the Town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns in the discretion of the School Committee, to employ a superintendent of schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main pipe on Allen Street to the residence of Columbus Holbrook, as petitioned for by Columbus Holbrook and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main pipe on Chestnut Street, as petitioned for by Thomas Devine and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 20. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 21. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they may deem most favorable for the town.

Article 22. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 23. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 24. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist churches, also the clock in Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 25. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen

to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 26. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 28. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same in any way relates to the water supply.

Article 29. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1887, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1896.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer bond for the year 1896-7, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to extend the water pipes from the residence of Robert Dickey, on High

Street, to the junction of said High and Vine Streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 34. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at 6 o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph, this seventeenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy. Attest :

M. F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.



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TENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE
DEPARTMENT, SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS,
BOARD OF HEALTH, AND TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND, THE
TRUSTEES OF THE TURNER FREE LIBRARY, AND OF THE
WATER COMMISSIONERS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

RANDOLPH:
RANDOLPH REGISTER AND HOLBROOK NEWS,
DANIEL H. HUXFORD, PUBLISHER.
1897.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1896-97.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. JOHN K. WILLARD. PETER B. HAND.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

M. A. DONOVAN Term expires 1897.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY Term expires 1898.
ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1899.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

M. A. DONOVAN Term expires 1897.
THOMAS A. KENNEDY Term expires 1898.
ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1899.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

DANIEL B. WHITE Term expires 1897.
PETER B. HAND Term expires 1898.
CHARLES A. WALES Term expires 1899.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY. MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.
REDMOND P. BARRETT.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT. THOMAS FARRELL. MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.
CHARLES F. BEAN. LINCOLN STETSON. FRANK J. DONAHOE.
JAMES E. BLANCHE.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

WILLIAM MAHADY. JAMES RILEY. JAMES H. WALES.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY. HERBERT W. PRATT. OTIS L. SOULE.
JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*. JOHN HANEY.
DANIEL J. BRENNAN. CORNELIUS DESMOND.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

JAMES RILEY.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

COLIN BOYD.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT.

HENRY A. BELCHER, of Randolph.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Rate of taxation May 1, 1896, \$19.80 on \$1,000.

VALUATION.

	1895.	1896.	Decrease.
Personal estate .	\$296,100 00	\$277,100 00	\$19,000 00
Real estate .	1,607,700 00	1,606,600 00	1,100 00
	<hr/> \$1,903,800 00	<hr/> \$1,883,700 00	<hr/> \$20,100 00
Town appropriations .	.	.	\$43,441 00
State tax .	.	.	1,645 00
County tax .	.	.	1,687 10
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Amount to be raised .	.	.	\$46,773 10
Number of polls, 1,163.	Tax, \$2,326 00		
Estimated corporation and bank tax,	7,270 00		9,596 00
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Amount to be raised on property .	.	.	\$37,177 10
Tax on :			
Real estate .	.	(\$1,606,600 00)	\$31,810 68
Personal estate .	.	(277,100 00)	5,486 58
		<hr/> \$1,883,700 00	<hr/> \$37,297 26
Amount to be raised .	.	.	37,177 10
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Overlay .	.	.	\$120 16

Warrant :

State tax	\$1,645 00
County tax	1,687 10
Town tax and overlay	36,291 16
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	\$39,623 26

Population, census of 1895	3,694
Number of horses May 1, 1896	341
cows May 1, 1896	201
acres of land taxed	5,755
dwellings	843

 APPROPRIATIONS.

For schools	\$9,321 00
Stetson High School	2,200 00
highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	500 00
miscellaneous	2,400 00
poor in almshouse	1,500 00
poor out of almshouse	3,600 00
soldiers' relief	300 00
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	800 00
military aid	150 00
town officers	2,400 00
interest on town debt	2,200 00
fire department	2,220 00
G.A.R., decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
Board of Health	150 00
tramps, lockup, etc.	200 00
special police	500 00
sinking fund, "water loan"	3,000 00
interest on water loan	2,000 00

For water for hydrants, etc.	\$2,000 00
electric lighting	3,400 00
Town Treasurer, premium on bond	150 00
care of clocks	50 00
pay of physicians	300 00
County tax	1,687 10
State tax	1,645 00
Appropriations	<u>\$46,773 10</u>

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY
THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1896.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	8,000 00
Three fire engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus	500 00
One hearse	50 00
Ten acres salt marsh	300 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Turner school fund	1,500 00
Stetson school fund, par value	11,900 00
Turner Free Library, building and land	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Water Works	160,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,800 00
	<u>\$312,600 00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$52,240.45 :

On account of schools	\$9,888 90
Stetson High School	2,320 17
poor out of almshouse	3,584 20
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	1,244 43
poor in almshouse	2,285 37
soldiers' relief	255 57
poor of other towns	305 33
State paupers	17 46
lockup and tramps	237 99
Board of Health	67 21
miscellaneous expenses	2,209 57
military aid	472 00
State aid	2,725 00
fire department	2,214 44
special police	726 83
care of clocks	50 00
removing snow	959 00
repairs of highways	3,695 65
paving	526 46
electric street lighting	3,271 91
town officers	2,441 50
water commissioners	7,000 00
decoration soldiers' graves	100 00
burial of soldier	35 00
insurance bond	120 00
interest	2,756 17
Dr. D. F. Kinnier and inhabitants	
of Randolph	635 75
pay of physicians	276 00

On account of abatements	\$131 44
county tax	1,687 10
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					\$52,240 45
Warrant on Treasurer to pay State tax	1,645 00
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					\$53,885 45

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For schools :	\$10,063 45	\$9,888 90
Stetson High School	2,200 00	2,320 17
Poor out of almshouse	3,600 00	3,576 80
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook,	800 00	1,244 43
Poor in almshouse	1,500 00	2,285 37
Soldiers' relief	300 00	262 97
Poor of other towns		305 33
State paupers		17 46
Lock-up and tramps	200 00	237 99
Miscellaneous expenses	2,400 00	2,209 57
Fire department	2,220 00	2,214 44
State aid		2,725 00
Military aid	150 00	472 00
Electric lighting	3,400 00	3,271 91
Removing snow	500 00	959 00
Water Commissioners, for hy-		
drants	2,000 00	2,000 00
Water Commissioners, for in-		
terest	2,000 00	2,000 00
Water Commissioners, for sink-		
ing fund	3,000 00	3,000 00
Pay of physicians	300 00	276 00
Special police	500 00	726 83
Board of Health	150 00	67 21

For Town officers	\$2,400 00	\$2,441 50
Paving	500 00	526 46
Abatement of taxes, 1894		131 44
Repairs of highways	3,500 00	3,695 65
Burial of soldier		35 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Care of clocks	50 00	50 00
Interest on town debt	2,200 00	2,756 17
Insurance on Treasurer's bond,	150 00	120 00
County tax	1,687 10	1,687 10
State tax	1,645 00	1,645 00
Dr. D. F. Kinnier <i>v.</i> inhabit- ants of town of Randolph		635 75
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	\$47,515 55	\$53,885 45

Total amount of expenditures \$53,885 45

Total amount of appropriations and estimated
income 47,515 55

Amount overdrawn \$6,369 90

Overdrawn on account of:

Stetson High School,	\$120 17
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	444 43
Poor in almshouse	785 37
Poor of other towns,	305 33
State paupers	17 46
Lock-up	37 99
State aid	2,725 00
Military aid	322 00
Removing snow	459 00
Special police	226 83
Town officers	41 50

Paving	\$26 46	
Highways	195 65	
Burial of soldier . .	35 00	
Interest on town debt,	556 17	
Suit of Dr. D. F. Kinnier,	635 75	
Abatements of taxes,	131 44	
	<hr/>	\$7,065 55

Unexpended on account of:

Schools	\$174 55	
Poor out of almshouse,	23 20	
Soldiers' relief . .	37 03	
Miscellaneous . . .	190 43	
Fire department . .	5 56	
Electric lighting . .	128 09	
Pay of physicians . .	24 00	
Board of Health . .	82 79	
Insurance on Treas- urer's bond	30 00	
	<hr/>	695 65
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		\$6,369 90

Amount overdrawn \$6,369 90

To be refunded on account of:

State aid by State	\$2,725 00	
Military aid by State	236 00	
Military aid by Holbrook	58 66	
State paupers by State	17 46	
Burial of soldier by State	35 00	
Poor of other towns	305 33	
Poor in almshouse	767 92	
Poor out of almshouse	40 88	
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	412 97	
Dr. D. F. Kinnier case	75 23	
	<hr/>	4,674 45
Net amount overdrawn		\$1,695 45

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

The streets have continued under the charge of James Riley as superintendent.

Taking into consideration the amount of money at our disposal, the number of miles of streets to care for, and the quality of material which of necessity we are obliged to use, we feel that our streets will compare favorably with those of surrounding towns.

Paid Town teams, labor	\$334 45
Thomas Whalen, labor	185 00
Joseph Donovan, labor	253 06
James Riley, team, labor	527 96
John P. Rooney, labor	160 23
Lighting lamp	2 00
Andrew Nightingale, labor	2 00
Thomas Devine, Jr., team, labor	10 01
James Carroll, team, labor	10 70
William Brennan, labor	101 73
Patrick Crosby, labor	2 68
George Wood, labor	44
Charles A. Wales, gravel	73 70
Maurice E. Scanlon, gravel	9 52
William Mahady, team, labor	45 08
Soriana M. Jones, labor	19 44
John B. McGrane, labor	123 84
Thomas Duff, labor	146 81
Everett Poole, gravel	19 88
M. M. Alden, lumber	4 09
H. M. White & Co., supplies	1 15
John T. Manning, labor	3 50
George M. Johnson, labor	42 10
William C. Barry, labor	213 60

Paid William Gill, labor	. . . .	\$84 00
Joshua Hunt, gravel	. . . .	3 15
Columbus Holbrook, gravel	. . . .	20
Thomas Buckley, labor	. . . .	167 87
A. J. Towns, team, labor	. . . .	56 16
Peter McConaty, labor	. . . .	19 89
James Slowey, labor	. . . .	56 88
James O'Brien, labor	. . . .	22 00
William F. Shepard, labor	. . . .	22 00
Seth Mann, 2d, gravel	. . . .	40
Martin Harty, labor	. . . .	90 49
Manus Gallagher, labor	. . . .	5 50
Lewis Jones, labor	. . . .	46 99
Michael E. Leahy, team, labor	. . . .	52 69
Frank Riley	. . . .	18 22
Edward Quinn, labor	. . . .	24 11
James Welsh, labor	. . . .	28 11
John Curran, labor	. . . .	33 33
Dominick Hand, labor	. . . .	37 44
Michael Good, labor	. . . .	18 33
William Dorr, labor	. . . .	21 39
Daniel Twomey, labor	. . . .	17 89
John Dunn, labor	. . . .	31 33
George F. French, labor	. . . .	15 66
John Sheehan, labor	. . . .	36 44
Lincoln Stetson, team, labor	. . . .	3 50
Francis E. Stetson, team, labor	. . . .	11 08
James Barry, labor	. . . .	25 39
John Harris, labor	. . . .	14 22
J. B. Rhines & Co., lumber	. . . .	21 72
John Desmond, labor	. . . .	6 00
John Meaney, labor	. . . .	23 50
Edward Riley, labor	. . . .	1 00
Andrew Tracy, labor	. . . .	18 00
William Good, team, labor	. . . .	43 94

Paid Mr. Lothrop	\$1 20
James Fardy, labor and materials	59 29
John Wilkinson, labor	14 00
Patrick Mannix, labor	14 00
James H. Wales, materials	25
Michael Clark, labor	8 89
James Riley and others, labor	73 95
John Lyons, labor	56 99
Mary E. Smith, gravel	15 91
John Wales, gravel	4 98
Caroline Glover, gravel	4 34
Jesse Fenno, gravel	07
Edwin Tabor, gravel	5 00
William Carroll, labor	13 79
Estate of T. F. Lynch, gravel	5 50
Joseph Riley, labor	44
James Swindells, gravel	9 38
R. A. Thayer, gravel	2 73
Robert McAuliffe, team, labor	10 50
Thomas Barry, labor	78
James Blythe, labor	3 67
W. A. Croak, scuttle	1 25
Thomas Powderly, gravel	7 20
Frank H. Langley, labor and materials	9 75
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	\$3,695 65

Appropriation, \$3,500 00

Overdrawn, 195 65

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid James Carroll and others	\$184 34
William Mahady and others	151 41
Francis E. Stetson and others	151 94
James Riley and others	256 09

Paid Joseph Donovan and others	\$114 90
Town teams	6 30
Peter McConaty	2 25
Richard Irving	5 00
James Keenan	4 00
Selectmen	82 77
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	\$959 00

Appropriation, \$500 00

Overdrawn, \$459 00

PAVING.

Paid Town teams, labor	\$71 07
Thomas Whalen, labor	41 87
Thomas Buckley, labor	43 00
James Riley, labor	76 66
Joseph Donovan, labor	44 43
William Gill, labor	50 99
William C. Barry, labor	11 89
Martin Harty, labor	5 23
Thomas Duff, labor	46 33
John P. Rooney, labor	47 43
John B. McGrane, labor	43 00
John Lyons, labor	89
Randolph Water Works	17 83
H. M. White & Co., supplies	1 65
George M. Johnson, labor	2 00
William Brennan, labor	6 89
John T. Wales, gravel	1 50
Seth Mann, 2d, gravel	20
M. E. Scanlan, gravel	7 70
M. J. Collins, gravel	60
C. A. Wales, gravel	4 20

Paid Estate of T. F. Lynch, gravel	.	.	\$0 30
Columbus Holbrook, gravel	.	.	80
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			\$526 46
Appropriation, \$500 00			
Expended,	526 46		
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Overdrawn,	\$26 46		

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, repairing ballot-box	.	\$4 25
City of Quincy, use of lockup	.	17 40
Colin Boyd, janitor	.	132 50
A. L. Chase,* inspector of animals and pro- visions	.	100 00
Thomas Purcell, teller	.	5 00
Edward O'Flaherty, teller	.	10 00
M. F. Sullivan, police duty and service on warrants	.	26 00
Weston P. Alden, teller	.	5 00
J. A. Kingsbury, dinners (elections)	.	37 60
M. W. Baker, labor on stoves	.	2 60
Damon Safe and Lock Co., labor on safe,	.	6 20
Arthur W. Alden, teller	.	10 00
John B. Brennan, teller	.	5 00
Nelson Mann, teller	.	10 00
William W. Hurley, teller	.	5 00
F. Wayland Alden, teller	.	5 00
Joseph J. McMahon, teller	.	10 00
Thomas L. Stetson, teller	.	10 00
Thomas Groom & Co., books, stationery,	.	10 20
Edward Long, teller	.	5 00
Frank J. Donahoe, police duty	.	12 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	.	6 30

Paid George F. French, lime	\$1 75
Herbert F. French, teller	5 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood	23 00
John P. Sullivan, teller	10 00
George W. Wales, envelopes	10 90
Hugh J. Molloy, teller	10 00
Fred M. French, teller, and insurance	86 10
D. H. Huxford, printing	436 50
Randolph Water Works,† labor and material,	31 98
W. A. Croak, teller	5 00
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, stationery,	1 29
Charles F. Bean, police duty	9 25
F. D. McCarty, teller	5 00
William B. Spear, teller	5 00
John H. Field, teller	5 00
Fairbanks Scale Co., testing scales, weights, etc.	20 70
Turner Free Library, repairs on building.. . . .	354 06
J. T. Leahy, stationery	9 88
F. Porter, stationery	2 44
Thomas Farrell,‡ police duty and service on warrant	34 60
Royal T. Mann, teller	10 00
E. L. Burdakin, copy of transfers	10 00
John L. Burke	4 00
John T. Flood,§ services as Moderator	20 00
Fred A. French, telephone	2 30
Fred L. Belcher, teller	5 00
C. Doughty, electric lighting and supplies,	29 48
H. M. White & Co.	11
E. W. Campagna, labor on booths	6 00
George E. Easton, police duty	1 75
Thomas J. Kiernan, teller and police duty,	14 25

§ Paid Horace Niles Post, 110, Grand Army Republic, on order of Mr. Flood.

Paid John Moore, damage to fence . . .	\$10 00
E. Lawrence Payne, police duty . . .	1 75
Lincoln Stetson, police duty . . .	9 25
James E. Blanche, police duty and carriage hire	19 25
Peter B. Hand, cash paid . . .	2 50
J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	434 50
James D. Sheridan, teller. . . .	5 00
Edwin F. Knight, police duty . . .	15 25
P. H. McLaughlin, cash paid . . .	20 15
A. J. Gove, expressage and carriage hire .	43 30
Timothy Lyons, expressage . . .	29 90
Sundry accounts	13 33
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	\$2,209 57

‡ Refunded on account of Dog War-
rant \$16 10

† Refunded by Randolph & Braintree
Railway : 31 98

* Refunded by State Treasurer . 36 80

\$84 88

\$2,124 69

Appropriation, \$2,400 00

Expended, 2,124 69

Unexpended, \$275 31

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. G. Hathaway, M. F. Cunningham, Red-
mond P. Barrett (Auditors) . . . \$45 00

TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy 300 00

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin	\$ 400 00
John K. Willard	350 00
Peter B. Hand	350 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Asa P. French	125 00
Michael A. Donovan	120 00
Thomas A. Kennedy	117 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Hiram C. Alden	75 00
James Fardy	50 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
James F. Sullivan	50 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid F. M. French, collecting taxes of 1895	\$95 00	
F. M. French, collecting taxes of 1896	165 00	
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ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Charles A. Wales	45 00
John Haney	25 00
D. J. Brennan	25 50
W. A. Croak	34 00
C. Desmond	20 00

 \$2,441 50

Appropriation, \$2,400 00

Overdrawn, 41 50

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid Edwin F. Knight	\$110 00
Frank J. Donahoe	116 83
Michael F. Sullivan	500 00
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	\$726 83

Appropriation, \$500 00

Overdrawn, 226 83

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R., \$100 00

Appropriation, \$100 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty \$3,271 91

Appropriation, \$3,400 00

Expended, 3,271 91

 Unexpended, \$128 09

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of Engineers of Fire Department) . . . \$2,214 40

Appropriation, \$2,220 00

Expended, 2,214 40

 Unexpended, \$5 60

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees	\$2,200 00
Trustees, bank tax, 1896	120 17
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	\$2,320 17

Appropriation, \$2,200 00, and bank tax.

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School Committee)	\$9,888 90
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Appropriation	\$9,321 00
Dog licenses	447 88
State school fund	262 57
Coddington fund	32 00
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	\$10,063 45

Unexpended, \$177 55

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid James Fardy	\$7 21
P. H. McLaughlin, for services	20 00
John K. Willard	20 00
Peter B. Hand	20 00
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	\$67 21

Appropriation, \$150 00

Expended, 67 21

Unexpended, \$82 79

ABATEMENTS FOR 1894.

Paid F. M. French	\$131 44
No appropriation.	

INTEREST.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer	\$2,756 17
Appropriation, \$2,200 00	
Overdrawn, 556 17	

COUNTY TAX.

Paid C. H. Smith, County Treasurer	\$1,687 10
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INSURANCE BOND.

Paid C. D. Fullerton & Co.	\$120 00
Appropriation, \$150 00	
Unexpended, 30 00	

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners, interest	\$2,000 00
Water Commissioners, hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
Water Commissioners, sinking fund	3,000 00
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	\$7,000 00
Appropriation, \$7,000 00	

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid First Congregational Church . . .	\$20 00
First Baptist Church . . .	20 00
Colin Boyd, clock in Town Hall . .	10 00
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	\$50 00
Appropriation, \$50 00	

 SUIT OF DR. D. F. KINNIER AND THE TOWN
OF RANDOLPH.

Paid Asa P. French, for witness fees . .	\$33 10
Dr. E. N. Whittier, professional services .	150 00
Dr. A. L. Chase, professional services .	100 00
Asa P. French, professional services .	300 00
Thomas Farrell, witness fees and expenses,	29 65
P. H. McLaughlin, expenses . . .	15 00
John K. Willard, expenses . . .	8 00
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	\$635 75

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Costs, witness fees, etc., refunded . .	75 23
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	\$560 52

This suit was brought for injuries claimed to have been received from an alleged defect in the sidewalk on Warren Street.

The amount of damages claimed was \$1,000.

The Selectmen were satisfied at the time of the accident that the town was not to blame in the matter, and the only course open for them was to resist any claim which might be made for damages.

The result of the trial justified us in the stand we took in the matter.

STATE AID (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons \$2,725 00

To be refunded by State.

No appropriation.

STATE AID (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons \$472 00

One-half paid by the State . \$236 00

By town of Holbrook . . 58 66

By town of Randolph . . 177 34

\$472 00

Appropriation, \$150 00

Overdrawn, 27 34

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1896.

There has been no unusual demand for outside aid during the year, the amount rendered being somewhat less than the previous year.

The almshouse and town farm continue in charge of George R. Weaver and wife as superintendent and matron.

We have made some improvements the past year in the inside of the house. The old cooking range, which had outlived its usefulness, has been replaced by a new one of more modern pattern. The walls and ceilings of all the rooms and hallways have been freshly painted. All the bedsteads, beds and bedding which had grown old and worn, have been discarded, and their place supplied with new goods. Everything about the inside of the house is clean and in good order. The outside needs painting, and we would recommend an appropriation of \$150.00 for the same.

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid George R. Weaver, superintendent . . .	\$499 97
Walter M. Howard, fish . . .	58 43
C. D. Hill, groceries . . .	219 66
H. M. White & Co., groceries . . .	208 38
C. Prescott & Co., groceries . . .	144 41
N. E. Buck, grain . . .	163 63
Oriental Tea Co.	15 58

Paid B. C. Tirrell, clothing	\$11 25
George R. Weaver, supplies	62 44
S. A. Thayer, coal	160 82
D. B. White, coal	64 25
Wilson, Larrabee & Co., dry goods . .	30 66
Estate F. A. Belcher, dry goods . .	62 10
Henry A. Belcher, dry goods	9 46
Brennan & Long, shoes	4 00
Frank A. Long, shoes and underwear . .	24 80
Robert McLennan, repairs	10 85
Frank H. Langley, repairs	38 15
James Burke, repairing shoes	2 60
John L. Burke, labor	2 50
John Wallace, provisions	84 74
William A. Smith, provisions	76 86
Charles A. Wales, range, labor, etc. . .	92 35
William Crossley	3 00
Lavin & Co., bedsteads and bedding . .	73 50
E. A. Perry, labor	5 50
Thomas Buckley	32 90
Ginter Produce Co., supplies	4 50
M. J. Collins, pigs	10 00
A. J. Towns, ice	26 56
Charles Codman, bread	9 73
D. S. Brown	2 00
Seth Mann, 2d, pasturage	5 00
Charles A. Payne	1 30
H. B. Libby	17 44
Royal T. Mann	16 50
A. J. Gove, expressing	12 05
James E. Blanche, carriage	2 00
Frank Porter, medicine	15 50

\$2,285 37

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Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1895	. \$2,470 40
Expended for supplies 2,285 37
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	\$4,755 77

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Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1896	. \$2,502 85
Labor of town teams 472 33
Produce sold 9 95
Hogs sold 25 14
Board refunded 300 58
Net expense 1,444 92
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	\$4,755 77

PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

	Weeks.
Lewis Linfield	52
William A. Doyle	52
Joseph A. Fritts	17
Catherine Heney	52
Thomas Curran	22 $\frac{3}{7}$
Patrick Kiley	16 $\frac{5}{7}$
James Welch*	49
Lorrenzo Eddy †	37
Augusta A. Thayer ‡	43 $\frac{3}{7}$
Ira Beal, Jr. §	8 $\frac{2}{7}$
Lucy Barrows	37 $\frac{2}{7}$
Persis Barrows	37 $\frac{2}{7}$
Mary A. Barrows	37 $\frac{2}{7}$
Alice Veazie	29 $\frac{5}{7}$
Clark Fairbanks	12
Thomas Ward	3 $\frac{2}{7}$

* Board refunded, \$147.00.

† Board refunded, 40.08.

‡ Board refunded, \$93.00.

§ Board refunded, 20.50,

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC., DECEMBER 31, 1896.

2 horses	\$300 00
1 cow	50 00
2 pigs	30 00
35 fowl	30 00
8 tons English hay	184 00
1 road scraper	75 00
3 horse carts	175 00
1 farm wagon	60 00
1 carriage	20 00
1 two-horse wagon	60 00
1 swing drag	35 00
1 mowing machine	40 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	5 00
2 gravel screens	10 00
2 cart harnesses	30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 pair double harness	40 00
1 two-horse sled, shaft and pole	50 00
4 draft chains	10 00
2 grind-stones	8 00
2 carriage jacks	4 00
Baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
4 plows	20 00
1 harrow	5 00
Forks and shovels	11 00
Iron bars and picks	5 00
1 hospital bed	40 00
1 wheelbarrow	3 00
4 axes	2 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 50

4 scythes and snaths	\$4 00
Hand saws, plane and square	4 00
Iron vise, bit stock, etc.	5 00
Drills and stone-hammers	30 00
40 flour barrels	4 00
10 cords wood	40 00
10 tons coal	50 00
Garden vegetables	65 00
3½ barrels flour	13 50
40 pounds crackers	3 60
12 pounds butter	3 00
20 pounds lard	1 50
5 gallons molasses	3 00
1 gallon vinegar	25
Pickles and preserves	8 00
25 pounds sugar	1 25
10 pounds tea	2 50
Spices	1 75
2 pounds tobacco	75
Grain and meal	7 00
5 gallons kerosene	50
1 kerosene barrel	75
1 stove	4 75
Wood saws and saw-horses	4 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Sewing machine	10 00
Ice chest	45 00
Clothes wringer and tinware	15 00
Lamps and lanterns	10 00
1 clock	4 00
5 bushels corn	2 00
12 cuspidors	6 00
1 bushel beans	1 00
26 iron bedsteads	100 00

7 feather beds	\$42 00
13 under beds	25 00
35 sheets	17 50
12 white blankets	12 00
20 colored blankets	20 00
40 pillowcases	10 00
20 bedspreads	15 00
40 feather pillows	20 00
20 comforters	20 00
Towels	4 00
Table cloths	3 00
7 tables	5 00
1 walnut extension table	10 00
2 wool carpets	50 00
58 chairs	25 00
Brooms	2 00
1 churn	3 00
Coal hods and shovels	5 00
Fire extinguisher	30 00
150 hose	18 00
Flat-irons	4 00
Soap powder	1 00
35 pounds soap	1 50
8 snow plows	100 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	125 00
1 sleigh	15 00
Carriage robe, blankets, etc.	15 00
Cooking range, hot water tank, etc.	75 00
1 lawn mower	6 00
80 gallons cider	5 00
3 barrels apples	3 75

\$2,502 85

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for Hannah P. Clark	\$104 00
James B. Riley	106 00
Mrs. Isaac Holbrook	131 77
Mrs. W. A. Kimball	10 40
Mrs. W. D. Barrows and family, .	69 37
John Treanor	71 40
Mrs. C. A. Allen and family, . .	138 02
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	78 80
Mrs. Susanna Buckley	60 00
William J. Carroll, at Taunton Insane Asylum	22 75
William J. Carroll, at Foxboro Dipso- maniac Hospital	6 04
Mrs. William J. Carroll and family .	62 00
Thomas Donahoe and family . .	103 85
Mrs. John Leahy	69 65
Mrs. Julia Ainsley and family . .	168 30
Mrs. James Butler	56 65
W. H. O'Brien, at Brockton . .	3 10
C. H. Wood	2 75
Mrs. Mary Morgan	11 65
Thomas Allen	15 15
John Sutherland, at Quincy . .	6 00
Mrs. Patrick O'Connor, at Carney Hos- pital	47 43
Thomas F. Riley, at "House of Angel Guardian"	150 00
Edwin A. Wood, at Quincy . .	9 00
Mrs. Ellen M. French	23 80
Charles H. Eddy, at Stoughton . .	42 50
William Ward, City Hospital, Boston .	24 00
Martin Mullins, City Hospital, Worcester,	14 28

Paid for Mrs. Cornelius O'Keefe and family, at Brockton	\$111 75
Mrs. Rose Campbell and family	26 15
Charles F. Howard and family	40 00
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Lu- natic Hospital	169 92
Emma C. Lincoln, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	154 18
Timothy Donahoe, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92
Thomas F. Kiley, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92
Mark E. Purcell, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 92
William R. Farquhar, at Westboro In- sane Hospital	169 94
Walter S. Roel, at Mass. Hospital for Dipsomaniacs	32 50
Mrs. William Shields and family	19 91
Annie Riley	22 25
Hugh Curry and family	18 58
Mrs. Robert McAuliffe and family at Mil- ford	189 45
Mrs. Margaret Ward, at Tewksbury In- sane Asylum	146 40
William F. Wills, at State Farm	146 40
Aid to sundry persons refunded *	40 88
Aid to sundry persons	7 75
Mrs. B. F. Jones	41 62
For board at Taunton Lunatic Hospital †	120 70
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	\$3,576 80
* Less aid refunded	40 88
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	\$3,535 92

† To be refunded.

Appropriation, \$3,600 00

Unexpended, 64 08

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Mrs. C. V. Sloan and family . . .	\$163 66
Lawrence Leavitt and family . . .	85 85
Mrs. John E. Mann . . .	168 16
Mrs. Elvira Holbrook . . .	60 00
Mrs. Maggie Morrissey . . .	24 00
M. Dumphy family . . .	59 99
George F. French . . .	5 40
Lysander P. Morse . . .	3 00
Mary Mullens . . .	132 00
Richard Adams . . .	17 15
Christiana Sloan . . .	31 51
Lewis Weathee, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital . . .	169 92
Estella Viola Faunce, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital . . .	50 79
George Kiley, at House of Angel Guardian . . .	150 00
Mary J. Doherty, at Lowell Hospital, . . .	67 00
George W. Cook, at Newton . . .	2 50
Albert Howard, at Brockton . . .	48 00
Aid refunded . . .	5 50
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	\$1,244 43
Less aid refunded . . .	5 50
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	\$1,238 93

Appropriation, \$800 00

Paid by Holbrook, 412 97

Overdrawn, 25 96

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Pair for John Lang, Taunton	\$56 00
Almira Fowle, Milton	106 75
Olive M. Jones, Braintree	62 75
William R. Lynch, Brockton	9 00
Mrs. W. N. Pendergrass, Holbrook . .	32 00
Mrs. John E. Glover, Quincy	14 25
Timothy H. Mullens, Brockton	3 00
A. R. Fuller, Avon	12 50
Frank E. Wilder, Boston	5 08
Aid refunded	4 00
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	\$305 33

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Elizabeth Green	\$76 50
John A. Sylvester *	7 40
Chas. H. Abbott, at Taunton Lunatic Hosp'l,	169 92
Aid refunded	9 15
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	\$262 97
Aid refunded	12 65
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	\$250 32

Appropriation, \$300 00

Expended, 250 32

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Unexpended,	\$49 68

BURIAL OF SOLDIER.

Paid for burial of E. E. Howard	\$35 00
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To be refunded by the State.

* Refunded, \$3.50.

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid for James E. Wilson	\$17 46
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LOCK-UP.

Paid Colin Boyd, keeper of lock-up	\$100 00
Colin Boyd, supplies	62 55
C. H. Belcher, supplies	20 94
D. B. White, coal	26 50
Frank S. Smith, charcoal	3 00
James F. Hurley, painting	7 50
C. Doughty, electric lighting	17 50
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	\$237 99

Appropriation, \$200 00

Overdrawn, 37 99

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE, 1896.

Paid Dr. A. L. Chase	\$50 00
Visits made Mrs. Hannah P. Clark	45
Mrs. John Hunt	12
Mrs. Wm. Barrows	17
Mrs. Chandler	19
Alice Veazie	2
James Wilson	5
Paid Dr. C. C. Farnham	\$50 00
Visits made Christiana Sloan	28
Lorenzo Eddy	11
William Doyle	1
John L. Burke	10
Paid Dr. F. C. Granger	\$50 00
Visits made Joseph Fritts	40
Misses Barrows	11
Clark Fairbanks	2

Paid Dr. Warren M. Babbett	\$50 00
Visits made C. V. Sloan's family	62
Abigail Holbrook	17
Ellen Donahoe	9
Paid Dr. E. A. Allen	\$26 00
Visits made Ellen Donahoe	8
Almira Fowle	18
Paid D. F. Kinnier	\$50 00
Visits made Thomas Donahoe's family	43
Elizabeth Green	7

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE
SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE
POOR FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$472 33
produce sold	9 95
hogs sold	25 14
board of sundry persons at almshouse	260 50
aid to sundry persons, refunded	45 25
officer's fees on dog warrant, refunded	16 10
costs in Kinnier case	75 23
Braintree Street Railway Co. for labor	31 98
sale of Braintree records	7 50
J. Riley, for labor	2 30
license for tent show	2 00
Taunton, board of John Lang	48 00
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	\$996 28

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1897.

For schools (see report of School Committee) . .	\$9,340 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees), .	2,200 00
town officers	2,400 00

For miscellaneous	\$1,800 00
repair of highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	1,000 00
poor in almshouse	1,500 00
poor out of almshouse	3,600 00
soldiers' relief	300 00
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	800 00
military aid	200 00
electric lighting	3,400 00
water works (see report of Water Commis- sioners)	6,000 00
interest on town debt	2,700 00
Fire Department (see report of Engineers),	2,200 00
Board of Health	200 00
lock-up and tramps	200 00
Treasurer's bond	120 00
pay of physicians	300 00
painting almshouse	150 00
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	\$42,410 00

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,

Randolph, February 3, 1897.

Auditors.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual meeting, March 1, 1897 :

Name.	Occupation.
Archer, Horace S.	Retired.
Alden, Arthur W.	Cutter.
Arth, Ernest	Cigar manufacturer.
Barrett, Redmond	Manufacturer.
Batchelder, Harlan P.	Retired.
Belcher, Henry A.	Dry goods dealer.
Binney, George L.	Farmer.
Blanche, Richard	Stableman.
Burke, James	Shoemaker.
Clarke, Dexter T.	Surveyor.
Casey, Peter	Laster.
Clark, Hugh	Retired.
Chessman, Samuel L.	Hotel keeper.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Croak, William A.	Carpenter.
Curran, John	Laborer.
Dennehy, Daniel D.	Cutter.
Dolan, Charles S.	Shoemaker.
Donovan, Michael A.	School Committee.
English, Nicholas	Shoemaker.
Elliott, George A.	Laster.
Field, John H.	Express messenger.
French, Fred A.	Fancy goods dealer.
French, George M.	Patent medicines.

Frizzell, William	Retired.
Forrest, Richard	Laster.
Gibbons, William	Shoe manufacturer.
Good, William	Laborer.
Hagney, Arthur	Shoe manufacturer.
Holbrook, Columbus	Shoemaker.
Holbrook, Albert H.	Carpenter.
Holbrook, George W.	Shoemaker.
Howard, Charles H.	Treasurer.
Jaquith, Frank H.	Reporter.
Jones, Rufus	Farmer.
Kiley, Patrick M.	Shoemaker.
King, Evander F.	Carpenter.
Leach, John	Shoemaker.
Long, Edward	Operator.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.
Mann, Lucius H.	Farmer.
Macomber, Albert M.	Agent.
Mahady, William	Laborer.
McGaughey, Moses	Shoemaker.
McAuliffe, Robert	Laborer.
Molloy, James	Retired.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Cigar manufacturer.
Nichols, George H.	Retired.
Niles, Amasa S.	Retired.
Niles, Isaac	Auctioneer.
O'Brien, James	Laborer.
O'Connell, Michael J.	Shoemaker.
Palmer, James W.	Grocer.
Payne, Ezra R.	Retired.
Pike, Martin P.	Retired.
Poole, Marcus M.	Storekeeper.
Porter, Franklin	Druggist.
Porter, William	Farmer.

Roberts, William R.	Poultry dealer.
Reynolds, George A.	Shoemaker.
Riley, Thomas	Retired.
Scanlon, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Sheridan, Michael	Retired.
Smith, Adoniram	Retired.
Snow, Hiram	Sole leather cutter.
Stetson, Francis E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Tabor, Edwin A.	Farmer.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Farmer.
Twoomey, Daniel	Shoemaker.
Tolman, Nathan A.	Fish dealer.
Wales, Charles A.	Supt. Water Works.
Wilbur, Selwyn	Operator.
Wren, John B.	Undertaker.
Young, Eddy C.	Box manufacturer.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,

Selectmen.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The report of your School Committee for the calendar year last past might perhaps be condensed into a single sentence, which would convey all that it is important to know; namely, that the schools continue to do all that can reasonably be expected of them without superintendence, and without, in some instances, proper accommodations. We are confident that they compare, in most respects, very favorably with those of any town of our size and resources in the Commonwealth. But no system is so perfect that it does not leave something to be desired. The special wants which we have in mind have already been called to your attention. We sincerely hope—for we believe that the welfare of the schools depends upon it—that you will, this year, find yourselves in a situation to make a beginning in the direction of one or more of them. The first is the often-agitated question of school superintendence. The advantages likely to ensue from this change have been so often demonstrated that we shall not again discuss it. Indeed, we believe that the attitude of a majority of the citizens has been for some years favorable to it, and that, as soon as we can arrange to join with such other town as will make with us a convenient district, you will be ready to pass the necessary vote. The net expense to the town will be trifling. We are one of only a very few towns in the State which have not adopted the system. The Statute (1893, Chap. 200) provides that the State shall contribute \$750 towards the superintendent's salary, and in addition thereto shall pay the sum of \$500 to be ap-

portioned among the towns uniting, to be used for the payment of teachers' salaries. It ought to be possible to obtain the services of a desirable man for about \$1500 a year.

The second subject upon which we desire you to take some action at the coming annual meeting—if no more than to appoint a committee with suitable powers to make inquiries and report—is that of our present school accommodations. This has now come to be a serious matter, and demands prompt attention. The situation briefly stated is this: the North Grammar building is absolutely unfit for school purposes and should be condemned. No plan to enlarge or improve it has been suggested which is feasible, and, in our opinion, any such attempt would be a useless expenditure of money. Something must be done at once looking toward desirable quarters for the pupils from this section of the town.

Again, the High School rooms are now quite inadequate for the purpose for which they were originally designed. The large attendance at this school is very creditable to the town, and we should do all we can to maintain it. As to the Prescott building, though it is, in the main, in better condition than any other of our school buildings, we are, nevertheless, confronted with the possibility of a renewal of the order of the State Board of Police requiring us to put in a new system of ventilation at an expense which, from estimates heretofore received, will be likely to be not less than twenty-five hundred dollars.

The problem before us, then, is to determine what plan, in view of the situation in which we find ourselves, will accomplish the desired results at the least expense; and as there is much to be considered, and differences of opinion are likely to exist, we suggest the appointment of a committee consisting of at least ten representative citizens, from the

various sections of the town, whose duty it shall be to make a careful investigation and report within a reasonable time.

CHANGES IN THE SCHOOLS.

There have been no material changes in the schools during the past year, except that, owing to the number of pupils in attendance in the Town Hill district, we have deemed it best, as indicated in our report of last year, to divide the work, and to establish an additional school in the vacant room on the first floor of the school building in that part of the town. Miss Elizabeth G. Lyons has been placed in charge of this room.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

The monthly meetings of the teachers have been continued, and have been found to be interesting and instructive. One of the recent topics under discussion at these meetings has been the advisability of adopting the so-called vertical system of handwriting. A majority of your committee are not as yet, however, satisfied that the change suggested will be beneficial. If, after it has been sufficiently tried and developed in other towns, its excellence above the system now in vogue should be plainly demonstrated (which we believe is not yet the case), we shall be very glad to introduce it.

FLAGS.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 181 of the Act of 1895, national flags have been furnished to all the school buildings not heretofore provided with them.

EXPENDITURES.

The expenses of the schools during the past year have compared very favorably with those of previous years, as will be apparent upon an examination of the statement appended to this report. In our estimate of expenditures

for the coming year, we have asked you to appropriate no more than we believe will be actually needed for the proper support of the department which we have in charge.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Leona Bloom.	Mary Gill.
Louis Courtney.	Dora Hayes.
Bertha Devine.	Hortense G. Hayes.
Carrie A. Devine.	George Kelliher.
Florence E. Devine.	Annie Kiley.
Katie Dolan.	Joseph Lyons.
Frank E. Faunce.	Maggie O'Halloran.
Edward Forrest.	Ernest H. Payne.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

Grace E. Arnold.	Florence G. Holbrook.
John Barrett.	Charles H. Jones.
Sarah Burke.	Edward Loftus.
Arthur Bustard.	Mary Malley.
William M. Bustard.	Royal L. Mann.
Delia Cunningham.	Carrie McCue.
Oma Daniels.	Mary McDonald.
Arthur Dee.	Moses McGaughey.
Helen M. Dodge.	Mary A. Moony.
Helen Donohoe.	John Mullins.
May Donahoe.	Victor E. Pickett.
Mollie Foley.	George Richards.
Kittie Forrest.	Willie Rudderham.
Frank N. French.	Willie Scannell.
Herman W. French.	Marion Scott.
Ina Good.	Harold G. Soule.
Mattie E. Hagar.	Annie Sutton.

Dorothy Swindells.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14 years of age.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Hugh J. Molloy . .	92	89+	85+	95½	39	18	0
	{ Isabel M. Breed . .							
	{ Edna Hilton . . .							
PRESCOTT	{ Thomas H. West . .	53	50 ⁴ / ₉	48	95+	6	40	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Katie A. Kiley . .	32	30.6	29.2	95+	5	27	0
	{ Mary A. Molloy . .	41	37+	35+	95	0	41	0
	{ Kittie E. Sheridan .	39	37	35	95	0	39	0
PRESCOTT	{ Mary E. Wren . . .	37	34	31	94	0	16	0
PRIMARY,	{ Fannie A. Campbell,	34	27	25	92	0	0	0
	{ Kittie R. Molloy . .	64	54	52	96	0	0	0
NORTH	{ Joseph Belcher . .	57	52	48.6	95+	5	52	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Ellen P. Henry . .	33	33	30	91	1	32	0
NORTH	{ Emma D. Stetson . .	32	30	28	93+	0	28	0
PRIMARY,	{ Clara A. Tolman . .	40	36	31	86+	0	4	0
	{ Sarah C. Belcher . .	32	32	30	94—	0	21	0
	{ Hannah F. Hoye . .	20	20	19	95	0	20	0
UNGRADED,	{ Elizabeth G. Lyons,	32	30	27	90	0	7	0
	{ Lucie W. Lewis . .	39	23	21	95+	0	18	0
	{ Helen A. Belcher . .	36	21.5	20	95	0	22	1

The Committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1897 :

For teaching	\$7,430 00
care of rooms	575 00
fuel	425 00
miscellaneous and incidental expenses, and	
general repairs	600 00
painting buildings	200 00
books and supplies	850 00

\$10,080 00

Less estimated revenue from the dog tax, State school tax, and Coddington fund . . .	\$740 00
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	\$9,340 00

ASA P. FRENCH,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS FOR 1896.

FOR TEACHING.

Paid Thomas H. West	\$1,000 00
Joseph Belcher	1,000 00
Ellen P. Henry	450 00
Katherine A. Kiley	450 08
Emma D. Stetson	380 00
Katherine E. Sheridan	399 00
Mary A. Molloy	418 00
Mary E. Wren	380 00
Katherine R. Molloy	380 00
Clara A. Tolman	380 00
Helen A. Belcher	380 00
Lucie W. Lewis	380 00
Hannah F. Hoyer	380 00
Sara C. Belcher	380 00
Fannie A. Campbell	307 00
Elizabeth G. Lyons	208 00
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	\$7,272 08

MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid J. White Belcher, insurance	\$15 00
Seth Mann, 2d, insurance	22 50
C. G. Hathaway, insurance	42 50
F. M. French, insurance	18 75

Paid A. J. Gove, expressing	\$64 90
N. Mann, truant officer	20 00
F. J. Donahoe, truant officer	20 00
F. J. Donahoe, truant officer	15 00
M. Sheridan, labor	50
James Riley, paving and laying pipes . .	16 27
Nathaniel Noyes, labor and stock	2 20
Colin Boyd, care of room	6 00
H. M. White & Co.	6 97
Dexter T. Clark, labor	5 00
Daniel Kiley, labor	4 00
M. A. Donovan, school census	20 00
John Curran	2 00
J. T. Leahy, team, work, etc	7 50
Thomas Donahoe, labor	5 00
J. C. Haynes, repairing drum	1 50
Mrs. A. O'Halloran, cleaning	5 00
D. H. Huxford, printing, advertising, etc.,	25 50
M. A. Donovan, cash paid	8 48
H. B. Libby, labor and stock	2 72
F. H. Langley, iron work	1 60
James Fardy, iron work	5 45
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	\$344 34

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid J. L. Hammett Co.	\$7 70
E. S. Taylor Paper Co.	25 05
J. A. & W. Bird	1 75
Ginn & Co.	6 45
Thomas Hall & Son	2 91
Allyn & Bacon	42 34
J. L. Hammett Co.	117 14
Boston Bolt Co.	1 35
American Book Co.	101 36

Paid R. H. White	\$4 00
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	1 50
Edward E. Babb & Co.	80 40
Boston School Supply Co.	44 75
Ginn & Co.	182 50
H. M. White	12
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	2 04
N. J. Bartlett	3 00
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.	3 00
Maynard, Merrill & Co.	17 55
Silver, Burdett & Co.	24 80
University Publishing Co.	62 14
Irvin W. Wheeler & Co., flags	8 50
C. A. Libby	65
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	1 17
J. F. Barnard & Co.	10 20
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	\$752 37

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid George M. Johnson	\$102 00
Michael Sheridan	250 35
Eleanor Holbrook	43 75
James Barry	57 00
F. B. Thayer	37 03
A. C. Johnson	15 00
L. T. Stetson	25 35
John Rooney	18 75
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	\$549 23

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid F. B. Thayer, labor and stock	\$64 39
J. L. Burke, painting	84 65
C. A. Wales, stoves, etc., \$82.57; water pipe, \$24.39	106 96

Paid Randolph Water Works, piping school	\$10 47
W. H. Hervey, chair	1 75
F. B. Richardson, blinds, etc.	8 64
N. H. Terrill, painting, etc., North Grammar,	85 00
Elbridge Jones, painting No. 5 schoolhouse,	35 00
W. B. Spear, painting No. 6 schoolhouse,	50 00
E. P. Clapp, lumber	14 83
W. A. Croak, labor and stock	40 07
S. M. Jones, labor	2 50
J. H. De Forrest, labor and stock	6 25
Dexter T. Clark, labor	4 00
E. A. Perry, labor and stock	11 15
C. E. Lyons, labor and stock	12 40
Griffith Jones, labor	4 25
M. W. Baker, labor	2 15
Boston Bolt Co., supplies	6 02
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	\$550 68

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS.

Paid J. T. Leahy, 2 cords wood	\$10 00
M. Sheridan, preparing wood	5 60
Thomas Donahoe, preparing wood	8 00
James Barry, preparing wood	2 00
Lincoln Stetson, 1 cord wood	5 00
Lincoln Stetson, preparing and putting in,	3 00
E. M. Mann, prepared wood	22 00
S. A. Thayer, 58 tons coal	330 60
M. T. Leahy, 2 cords wood	10 00
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	\$396 20

SUMMARY.

Paid Teaching	\$7,272 08
Care of rooms	549 23
Fuel	396 20
Books and supplies	752 37
Miscellaneous and incidental	344 34
Permanent repairs	550 68
Flagstaffs	24 00
Total expense	<u>\$9,888 90</u>

INCOME FROM FUNDS AND TAXES.

1896. Coddington Fund	\$32 00
State School Fund	262 57
Dog licenses	447 88
	<u>\$742 45</u>

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

During the past year, owing to the reduction of the capital of the Tremont National Bank, five of the ten shares of its stock forming a part of the investment of the Fund have been retired, and the money thus obtained has been reinvested by the purchase of one five-hundred-dollar Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent bond. Otherwise the securities remain unchanged, and now stand as follows :

10 shares Eliot National Bank . . .	\$1,000 00
10 shares Hide & Leather National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe & Leather National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares National Exchange Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
5 shares Tremont National Bank . . .	500 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shawmut National Bank . . .	1,300 00
6 shares Webster National Bank . . .	600 00
3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent bonds,	3,000 00
1 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent bond,	500 00
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	\$11,900 00

The investment of the Turner Fund has not been changed.

The exercises of the fifty-second annual commencement occurred on the nineteenth day of June last, at which time diplomas were presented to five pupils, as follows :

Latin Course.

Wade C. Belcher, Eugene C. Kinsley,
 Florence L. Baker.

English Course.

Arnold Thayer, Mary I. Jaquith.

The Turner medals were awarded to Wade C. Belcher, the valedictorian, and Mary I. Jaquith, the salutatorian.

At the beginning of the current school year, the number of pupils in the school was ninety-seven, of whom eighty were pursuing the Latin course, and seventeen the English course.

Of the class of thirty-five which entered the school in September, 1896, twenty-six elected to take the Latin course, and nine the English course.

Early in January, 1897, Mr. Hugh J. Molloy, for ten years principal of the school, tendered his resignation to take effect on the eighth day of February. Mr. Molloy's administration of the school, both as an instructor and disciplinarian, has been admirable and has met with the unqualified commendation of the Trustees. His scholarly attainments, urbanity of manner and firmness of character, combine to make him an ideal teacher, and the loss to the school occasioned by his resignation cannot be easily overestimated. We believe that, under his management, the friction which, to a greater or less extent, inevitably exists in any school, has been reduced to a minimum, and that the work accomplished has been of exceptional excellence.

Our best wishes and, we are sure, those of all the people of Randolph go with him in his new field of labor.

The season of the year is not favorable, and the time has been too short, to enable us to make any arrangements looking toward the choice of a permanent successor. The posi-

tion is one of great responsibility and should be filled with great care. We shall probably not elect a teacher to fill the vacancy until the summer vacation. In the meantime Mr. William A. Butler, of Malden, a graduate of Harvard University of the class of 1894, has been asked to take control of the school. Mr. Butler is a teacher who has had high school experience, and is very highly recommended.

The report of the Secretary and Treasurer, Charles G. Hathaway, Esq., is hereto annexed.

ASA P. FRENCH,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

DR. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH

1896.

	To balance old account		\$140 86
Jan. 25.	interest on account at Mass. Loan & Trust Co.	\$3 36	
Feb. 3.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
April 1.	bank dividends, Eliot . . . \$30 00		
	Webster . . . 15 00		
	Hide & Leather, 25 00		
	Shoe & Leather, 20 00		
	Exchange . . . 30 00		
	Boylston . . . 30 00		
	Old Boston . . . 25 00		
	Shwamut . . . 39 00		
	—	214 00	
10.	five shares of the Tremont National Bank in reduction of the capital stock (from the fund)	500 00	
28.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
March 3.	C., B. & Q. R.R. coupons, at \$25	75 00	
June 20.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
July 25.	interest on account at Mass. Loan & Trust Co.	3 93	
Sept. 17.	C., B. & Q. R.R. coupons, at \$25; 1 at \$12.50	87 50	
Oct. 2.	bank dividends, Eliot . . . \$30 00		
	Webster . . . 15 00		
	Hide & Leather, 25 00		
	Shoe & Leather, 20 00		
	Exchange . . . 30 00		
	Boylston . . . 20 00		
	Old Boston . . . 25 00		
	Tremont . . . 10 00		
	Shawmut . . . 39 00		
	—	224 00	
Nov. 6.	town appropriation, balance of	550 00	
Dec. 15	tax on bank stock refunded by town	420 17	
	rental of hall	86 00	
		<u>3,513 96</u>	
			\$3,654 85

THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1896.

Jan.	24.	By paying Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	\$78 94
	24.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	52 63
Feb.	7.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	86 84
	7.	Stationary, account . . .	50
	18.	Charles Doughty, bill . . .	20 48
	21.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	157 89
	21.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	28 95
	21.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	52 63
	28.	Walter French, tuning piano .	2 00
	28.	Walter French, repairing piano,	2 00
March	6.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	78 94
	6.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	28 94
	6.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	26 37
	13.	Colin Boyd, janitor . . .	28 00
	21.	Franklin Taylor, repairs . . .	2 20
April	1.	C. G. Hathaway, agent, ins. .	25 00
	17.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	157 89
	17.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	17.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	52 63
	24.	J. White Belcher, agent, ins. .	48 75
May	4.	H. M. White & Co., bill . . .	70
	4.	Estabrook & Co., \$500 bond conv., 5 per cent. C., B. & Q. R.R., int. and com. (for the Fund)	509 99
	15.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	157 89
	15.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	15.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	52 63
June	19.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	197 43
	19.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	72 40
	19.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	65 75
	25.	Colin Boyd, janitor . . .	36 60
July	6.	Walter French, tuning piano .	2 00
	6.	John L. Burke, printing . . .	1 50
Aug.	3.	Franklin Taylor, repairs . . .	20 03
	18.	C. W. H. Moulton & Co., ladders,	7 70
Sept.	22.	Franklin Taylor, repairs . . .	16 11
	22.	E. A. Perry, repairs . . .	3 75
	22.	W. I. Shaw, repairs . . .	3 00
	22.	Taunton Lumber Co., bill . . .	55 13
	25.	Francis B. Thayer, labor . . .	14 00

Oct.	1.	By paying Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	\$157 89
	1.	Edna Hilton, account salary	57 88
	16.	H. C. Sargent, repair clock	1 00
	30.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	157 89
	30.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	115 78
	30.	Edna Hilton, account salary	57 88
Nov.	16.	D. H. Huxford, printing	16 25
	24.	D. B. White, coal	154 45
	25.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	157 89
	25.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	25.	Edna Hilton, account salary	57 88
	27.	Colin Boyd, janitor	32 80
	28.	Joseph Donovan, labor	10 20
Dec.	18.	Hugh J. Molloy, account salary,	118 42
	18.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	43 42
	18.	Edna Hilton, account salary	43 41
	26.	M. W. Baker, repairs	17 45
	26.	H. C. Kendall, filling out diplomas,	1 25
	26.	Frank F. Smith, charcoal	9 00
	26.	Am. Bank Note Co., diplomas	1 50
	31.	Edwin M. Mann, wood	4 00
	31.	Postage stamps	25
	31.	Trustees' secretary	20 00
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Balance			\$3,558 35
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			96 50
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			\$3,654 85

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

RANDOLPH, February 8, 1897.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have this day made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund for the year 1896 and find the same correct.

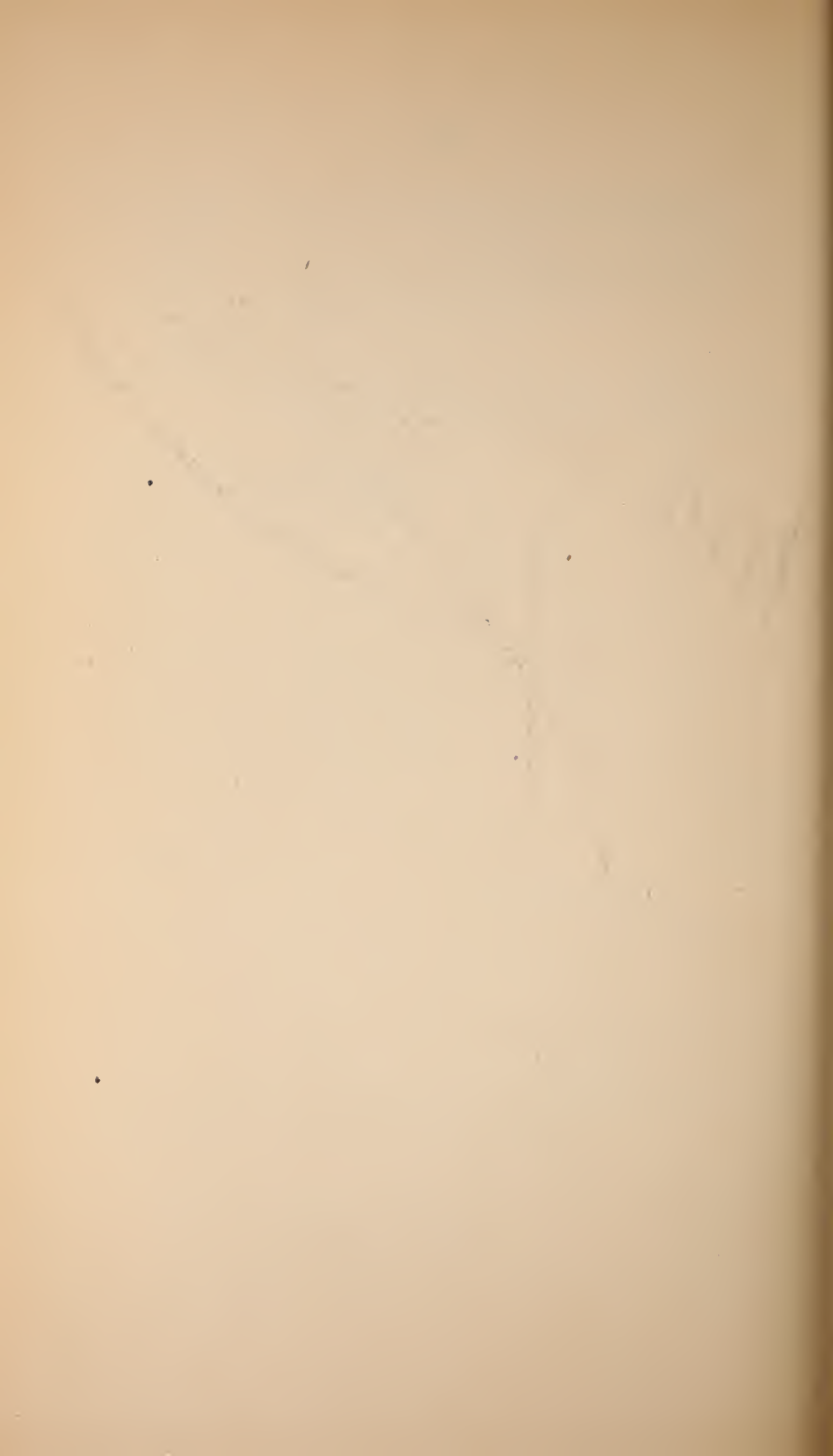
The investments for the fund are as follows, viz. :

Eliot National Bank, 10 shares	\$1,000 00
Hide and Leather Bank, 10 shares	1,000 00
Shoe and Leather Bank, 10 shares	1,000 00
Exchange Bank, 10 shares	1,000 00
Boylston Bank, 10 shares	1,000 00

Tremont National Bank, 5 shares	\$500 00
Old Boston Bank, 10 shares	1,000 00
Shawmut Bank, 13 shares	1,000 00
Webster Bank, 6 shares	600 00
C. B. & Q. R.R., 5 per cent bonds.	<u>3,500 00</u>
	\$11,900 00

We also find in the hands of Secretary a \$1000 bond of the City of Minneapolis, Minn., the investment for the Turner Fund.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,
Selectmen of Randolph.



TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

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TRUSTEES, 1896.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

Rev. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

P. H. McLAUGHLIN, JOHN K. WILLARD, PETER B. HAND,
Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

JOHN B. THAYER.

JOHN V. BEAL.

ASA P. FRENCH.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

HENRY A. BELCHER.

Miss ALICE M. TURNER.

Mrs. CLARA A. WALES.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant Librarian.

Mrs. FRANCIS O. HOWARD.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with Article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the twenty-first annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1896.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, and John K. Willard) report that "the building is in good condition, with the exception of the frescoing in the library room and main hall."

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Miss Alice M. Turner, and Mrs. Clara A. Wales), and the books, charts, and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition; all books belonging to the library were accounted for by the librarian. The rules and regulations for the government of the library have generally been observed.

The following extracts from the twenty-first annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees,

contain a condensed statement of the present condition of the library, and a brief summary of the work accomplished :

"It was upon March the 22d, 1876, that the library opened its doors to the people of Randolph, and upon March 22d of the present year it will have completed its term of twenty-one (21) years of faithful public service.

"During these years it has furnished to our townspeople in gratuitous reading nearly four hundred thousand books, and if reference were included, a grand total of about half a million of volumes.

"Such a record is one of which the friends of the library may well be proud, and furnishes indisputable evidence that the founders were right, when they decided that the people of Randolph not only needed, but would greatly appreciate, a public library. Nobly conceived, generously aided, it has taken a prominent place among the educational agencies of the town.

"As should be expected, our statistics indicate a commendable advance over the record of last year.

"The total number of books as shown by the accession catalogue to date is 12,990—241 of which have been added during the past year.

"The circulation for home use does not indicate other than a healthy increase over that of the previous year, being 19,850 as against 18,378 for 1895.

"The average daily circulation has been $71\frac{1}{2}$. The largest daily circulation was on January 11th, when 265 were borrowed.

"The school teachers have continued to make a good use of the privileges accorded them to take from the library a larger number of books, thus supplementing the instruction of the text books.

"Their record for 1895 was 286. This year 394 volumes were borrowed.

"In these days when nearly everyone reads, and the ambition of scholars is as to who shall know the most, observation and experience both teach us that the library is the most important adjunct of the public school, and is rapidly becoming as much a necessary part of the equipment of a city or town as schools or even churches, or in fact anything which means for the people a broader and higher life.

"It is almost impossible to overestimate the value of books intelligently used. It then becomes the duty and privilege of the library not only to provide the books, but also to train scholars wisely in the knowledge and use of the books. The library thus becomes the broadest of teachers and the most liberal of schools, and in thus fulfilling its mission it firmly establishes itself as a most important factor for happiness, order and prosperity in the community."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt and P. H. McLaughlin) report as follows:

"In compliance with the requirements of Article 10 of the by-laws of the Turner Free Library, the committee on finance herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1896, and ending December 31, 1896; also the result of their examination of the treasurer's accounts, and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts of the treasury during this period of time, as per accounts of John J. Crawford, treasurer, including the balance of \$79.12 of last year, were \$23,486.39.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$23,135.48, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$354.81.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasurer, the committee find that all bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$354.81 as above shown is now in the treasury, and remains on deposit in the National Hide and Leather Bank, Boston.

"The committee further find that all the rents, the interest, and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the above mentioned balance, consist of five thousand (5,000) dollars invested in a promissory note of the town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, and the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, known as the 'Turner Fund,' invested as follows:

"Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each;

"Two bonds of the Union Pacific Railroad of \$1,000 each;

"Three bonds of the Kansas Pacific Railroad of \$1,000 each;

"Two bonds of the Burlington and Northern Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"During the past year the legacy under the will of the late Royal W. Turner became payable, and \$21,079.83 was realized therefrom, with which was purchased ten Old Colony 4 per cent. bonds of \$1,000 each, and ten Wayne County, Michigan, 4 per cent. bonds of \$1,000 each."

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1896, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

The librarian and the assistant librarian continue to dis-

charge their duties faithfully, and to the satisfaction of the trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1897.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY, JANUARY 1, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand January 1, 1896 . . .	\$97 12
Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . .	300 00
Charles H. Belcher . . .	250 00
Ladies' Library Association . . .	15 00
Received from town for permanent repairs, including plumbing and electric wiring . . .	354 06
interest on town note . . .	200 00
Savings Bank and others for fuel and gas . . .	141 73
Turner Fund . . .	410 00
finer and catalogues . . .	38 55
bequests under will of Royal W. Turner . . .	21,079 83
income from investment of same, . . .	600 00
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	\$23,486 29

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books, magazines, etc. . . .	\$429 17
salary of librarian	500 00
salary of assistant librarian . . .	250 00
salary of janitor	125 00

Paid for fuel	\$279 00
electric light and extra wiring	81 00
permanent repairs, including plumbing and electric wiring	306 27
binding	99 35
miscellaneous, including express	72 25
10 Old Colony R.R. 4 per cent. bonds and for 10 Wayne County, Michigan, 4 per cent. bonds	20,989 44
Balance December 31, 1896	354 81
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	\$23,486 29

The Turner Fund stands the same as last year and is invested as follows :

C., B. & Q. R.R. bonds, 3 at \$1,000	\$3,000 00
Kansas Pacific R.R. bonds, 3 at \$1,000	3,000 00
C., B. & N. R.R. bonds, 2 at \$1,000	2,000 00
Union Pacific R.R. bonds, 2 at \$1,000	2,000 00
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	\$10,000 00

During the year the bequest under the will of the late Royal W. Turner, amounting to \$20,079.83, became available, and was invested in ten bonds of \$1,000 each of the Old Colony R.R., bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. and ten bonds of Wayne County, Michigan, also bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent.

The balance of the fund of the library is in the \$5,000 note of the town of Randolph, which bears interest at the rate of 4 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

Randolph, Mass., January 1, 1897.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

Gentlemen,—The following report of the Board of Engineers of Fire Department is herewith submitted:

On May 1, 1896, the department was organized as follows:

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; John Haney, D. J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond, W. A. Croak, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Clerk*.

COMPANIES AND APPARATUS.

Engine 1: A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Engine No. 2: James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine: James A. Blanche, *Driver*.

Truck No. 1: Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon No. 1: Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel No. 2: Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1: 17 men, James Farrell, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. No. 2: 10 men, John E. Clark, *Foreman*.

Truck No. 1: 16 men, Charles E. Dolan, *Foreman*.

Chemical Co. No. 1: 13 men, James F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

April 30, 7.40 P.M., an automatic alarm called the apparatus to the factory owned and occupied by Charles Doughty on Warren Street; no damage; escaping steam having caused the alarm.

May 3, 7.30 P.M., an alarm for a fire in the laundry rooms in the basement of the Hawes Building, corner of Main and School Streets; no damage; cause, kettle of grease on fire.

May 16, 3 A.M., alarm for a fire in barn on West Street, owned and occupied by Purcell Brothers; barn, shoe factory and dwelling house wholly consumed with most of contents.

May 16, 6.35 P.M., alarm for a fire in dwelling on Ward Street, owned and occupied by Henry F. Rooney; roof damaged slightly; cause of fire, lamp explosion.

May 18, 1 P.M., an alarm called the department to an extensive fire in woodland between Liberty, North and Oak Streets, the house of A. M. Dyer being in danger.

There were other fires during the spring months as follows :
Near North Street cemeteries, north side of Oak Street toward Great Pond and Braintree line, between West, Lafayette and Grove Streets; west side of Woodlawn Ave., east side of South Main Street toward Granite Street, between North and Oak Streets, this being second or third one in this vicinity.

December 8, or rather during the night of the 7th or the morning of the 8th, the piggery of James M. Dyer on North Street, owned by him and occupied by said Dyer and Eli Eddy, was destroyed by fire, together with about 30 pigs; no alarm, as the fire had consumed building and contents before being discovered.

EXPENSES.

Paid 56 men \$12 each	\$672 00
56 men, 312 hours at 50 cents	156 00
56 men, 109 hours at 25 cents	27 25
For fires in woodland	103 76
Engineer of steamer	40 00

Paid Fireman of steamer	\$30 00
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus 1 year .	300 00
F. J. Donahue, steward, etc. . . .	111 00
W. F. Sullivan, steward, etc. . . .	60 00
C. E. Lyons, labor and material . .	7 96
S. A. Thayer, coal	25 00
D. B. White, coal	39 00
A. S. Jackson, supplies	30 10
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	9 70
Electric Light Co.	17 53
Insurance on apparatus	90 00
James Riley, hauling apparatus to Oct., 1895,	18 00
James Riley, rent of land 2 years to Sept., 1896,	30 00
W. M. Howard, steward 1 year to May, 1896,	79 75
J. W. Farrell, janitor, 1 year to May, 1896,	6 00
William Halloran, steward, etc., 1 year to May, 1896	12 75
Colin Boyd, janitor, 1 year to May, 1896 .	4 00
James A. Wales, labor and material .	2 00
A. J. Gove, expressing, etc., 2 years to December 31, 1896	22 75
W. A. Croak, labor and material, May, 1895, to December, 31, 1896 . . .	84 40
N. H. Tirrell, labor and material . .	31 41
W. B. Spear, labor and material . .	22 08
James Hurley, labor	21 75
George Parish, labor	12 00
C. A. Wales, labor and material, January, 1893, to December 31, 1896 . . .	76 92
Edwin M. Mann, wood	4 00
F. H. Langley, iron work	4 35
Mary Sullivan's heirs, rent of land . .	10 00
John L. Burke, labor	3 75
Randolph Water Works	17 44

Paid H. M. White & Co., supplies	\$8 63
C. H. Belcher, supplies	23 16
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	\$2,214 44
Appropriation	\$2,220 00
Expense	2,214 44
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Unexpended balance	\$5 56

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four wheel hose-reel (horse), one two wheel hose-reel (hand), one chemical engine, one ladder truck, 3,500 feet of hose, extra ladders in houses of steamer 2 and chemical 1, etc.

In this connection, while speaking of apparatus, we wish to call the attention of the town to the fact that a new ladder truck is very much needed. The one in use is not suitable for service; it is cumbersome to handle, and, as any one who has had experience with hauling loads will say, it is a horse killer; it is out of repair, and liable to break down at any time.

HOUSES.

The three houses of the department have each received two coats of paint, except the signs, at an expense of about \$140; two-thirds of the floor in the house of engine 1 has been relaid at an expense of about \$57. The signs should be repainted the coming spring. Water from the street service has been carried into the house of engine 2, and the house of the chemical. We wish the coming spring to introduce water into the house of engine 1; a small appropriation for painting, as above, for water pipes and some minor repairs will be asked for the coming year.

FIRE ALARMS.

The committee to whom was referred (two years ago)

the matter of a fire alarm system, have not as yet reported to the town, but a sub-committee has got an estimate of expense, as follows: For 20 poles, 11 miles of wire, 14 boxes, whistle machine and indicator, if plain boxes are used, the sum of \$1,500; if the perfect, non-interfering boxes are used, the sum of \$2,000 would be required to install a system of alarm that would reach all parts of the town.

FIRE LOSSES.

The loss by fire the past year to buidings and contents was about \$3,500. Insurance has been paid on the same to the amount of about \$1,400.

The damage to woodland by fire was about \$300.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR 1897.

We would recommend the same pay as last year for the following: \$12 per year per man, fifty cents per hour for actual service at fires, and twenty-five cents per hour for guard or watch duty, fires in woodland, steward work, etc.; engineer of steamer, \$40, fireman of steamer, \$30. We therefore ask to have appropriated the following:

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
Pay of 55 men, \$12	660 00
Hour service	225 00
Fires in woodland	75 00
Insurance	90 00
Repairs, painting signs, water pipes, etc.,	150 00
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	\$2,200 00

New ladder truck.

CHARLES A. WALES,
D. J. BRENNAN,
C. DESMOND,
W. A. CROAK,
JOHN HANEY,
Engineers of Fire Department.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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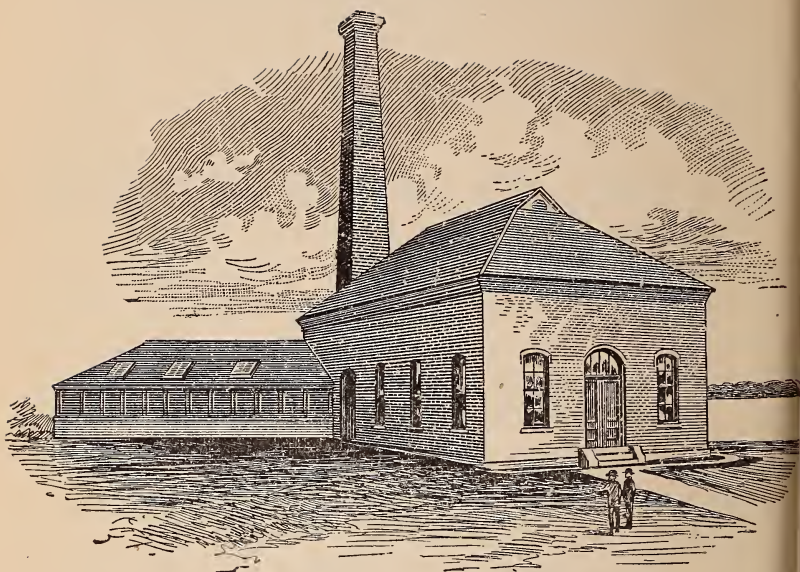
WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.



RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK WATER WORKS.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

We respectfully present to you the eleventh annual report of the condition of the water works, also reports of treasurer and engineer, for the year ending December 31, 1896.

The services of E. J. T. Dexter have been retained as engineer since the commencement of the works, and we have always found station and pumps in good order, all repairs on the same have been done by him, and a good supply of water always in the stand pipes.

There is no change in the case of J. T. Langford, and no claims for counsel fees up to the present time.

SINKING FUND.

The sinking fund is deposited in the safety deposit vaults, and amounts at the present time to \$41,344.14; for further information, see treasurer's report.

The water bonds are due as follows. The first of these are due:

April 1, 1897, this year	\$10,000 00
April 1, 1902	10,000 00
April 1, 1907	20,000 00
April 1, 1912	20,000 00
April 1, 1917	40,000 00
May 1, 1918	20,000 00
July 1, 1922	25,000 00
July 1, 1926	3,000 00
Total	<u>\$148,000 00</u>

The actual standing of the water works is :

To \$148,000 water bonds sold	\$148,000 00
Amount of claim of J. T. Langford unknown.	
By amount in sinking fund	41,344 14
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	\$106,655 86

With amount due J. T. Langford.

During the last year we have sold five (5) \$1,000 bonds, for which was received \$5,235.73.

From which amount was used for the extensions :

On Chestnut Street	\$2,095 51
High Street	1,812 43
Allen Street	669 85
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	\$4,577 79

SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

Under Section 6, Chapter 217 of the Acts of the Legislature for the year 1885, the town is required each year to raise by taxation a sum which, with the income derived from water rates, will be sufficient to pay the current annual expenses of operating its works, and the interest as it accrues on the notes, bonds, or scrip issued under said act by said town ; is to make such contributions to its sinking fund, and payments on the principal, as may be required under the provisions of said act.

The Commissioners recommend an appropriation for the ensuing year :

For sinking fund, same as last year	\$3,000 00
interest on water loan	1,000 00
hydrants, and other public uses	2,000 00
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Total	\$6,000 00

EXPENDITURES AND MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, JOINT WORKS,

For year ending December 31, 1896.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary for one year as engineer	\$1,100 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid out . .	2 00
Brennan & Long, rubber boots . .	8 00
Charles E. Lyons, mason work at station,	10 25
J. White Belcher, insurance on station .	52 50
Fred M. French, insurance on station .	52 50
Asa P. French, legal services	25 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	15 73
A. H. Holbrook, lumber for station . .	8 56
Underhay Oil Co., oil for station . .	31 99
E. W. Campagna, lumber for station . .	1 68
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith bill . .	24 48
Samuel Walker Oil Co., oil for station .	6 22
D. B. White, coal bill	751 55
William Mahady, labor	4 50
E. M. Mann, wood for station	2 50
Perrin, Seamans & Co., supplies	41 67
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies	6 30
C. H. Belcher, supplies	9 08
Frank D. Long, rubber boots	4 00
Waldo Bros., fire brick	6 00
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R., freight bill . .	5 90
Joint pay-roll, January to June	128 62
Joint pay-roll, June to December 31, 1896,	231 71
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	\$2,530 68

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid John W. Porter, coal bill	\$787 67
John Underhay, insurance on station	52 50
Hartford Boiler Ins. Co., boiler insurance,	100 00
Gleason & Bailey, grate for boiler	150 00
John H. Pray & Co., supplies for station,	37 34
Howard & Clark, supplies for station	5 00
White & Crooker, hay and grain	99 86
Richard Adams, rent of stable	24 00
C. H. McCarter, blacksmith's bill	9 70
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	2 55
Star Belting Co., belts	4 02
George T. Wilde, supplies	3 00
Frank G. Morse, wrenches	5 50
Joint pay-roll, January to June	128 62
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	\$1,409 76
Paid by Randolph	\$2,530 68
Paid by Holbrook	1,409 76
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	\$3,940 44
One-half to be paid by each town	\$1,970 22
Paid by Holbrook	\$1,409 76
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	\$560 46

Amount due from Holbrook and paid.

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.—RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Holbrook Water Works, 6-inch bends	\$10 00
Waldo Bros., cement	4 55
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches, etc.,	48 72
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe and fittings	55 27

Paid George Woodman Co., stop and waste and fittings	\$71 11
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R., freight bills	220 33
R. McAuliffe, carting pipe	18 60
P. Meaney, carting pipe	11 55
William Goode, carting pipe	17 70
George Foster, carting pipe	2 70
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith's bill	25 54
Boston Lead Co., pipe	6 35
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and gates	201 12
M. J. Drummond, 6-inch iron pipe	1,477 60
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse, etc.	22 75
George E. Gilchrist, pipe and fittings	142 45
Chadwick Lead Co., lead and pipe	105 44
James Fardy, blacksmith's bill	10 80
Joseph Jones, wood	1 88
Edwin M. Mann, wood	5 25
P. H. Madigan, labor	31 00
William Mahady, labor	3 25
Perrin, Seamans & Co., supplies	16 45
W. D. Hatchfield, blacksmith's bill	7 80
Sumner & Goodwin, pipe	30 03
C. D. Hill, supplies	11 12
E. W. Campagna, lumber	1 25
C. A. Wales, soldering corporations and supplies	26 92
H. M. White & Co., supplies	5 58
Pay-roll for the year on extensions, services, etc.	2,715 50
Total	<u>\$5,308 61</u>

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT — RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Boston Safe Deposit Co., rent of box	\$10 00
Bufford Sons Engraving Co., printing bonds,	35 00
C. Doughty, lighting office	10 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	3 46
Asa P. French, legal services	50 00
D. H. Huxford, printing water register books, bills and postal cards	102 50
Peter B. Hand, services as Water Commis- sioner for year ending March 4, 1896	100 00
Peter B. Hand, labor and cash paid out	8 35
Daniel B. White, services as Water Com- missioner for year ending March 4, 1896,	100 00
C. A. Wales, services as Chairman of Water Commissioners, care of water works, and use of horse, for year ending December 31, 1896	600 00
C. A. Wales, stamps, wood and stationery for office	3 50
Joseph T. Leahy, labor and cash paid out,	7 90
Total	<u>\$1,030 71</u>
 Paid for joint maintenance account	 \$2,530 68
Randolph construction account	5,308 61
Randolph maintenauce account	1,030 71
Holbrook service account	92 45
Interest on water loan	5,360 00
 Orders drawn on Treasurer	 <u>\$14,322 45</u>
Paid by Holbrook, $\frac{1}{2}$ joint maintenance, \$560 46	
Holbrook, for service pipe labor, 92 45	
	<u>652 91</u>
	<u>\$13,669 54</u>

CHESTNUT STREET EXTENSION.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 6-inch pipe, 2,550 feet,	\$781 83
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and gate .	96 05
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches, re- ducer, etc.	12 28
George E. Gilchrist, gate box	4 00
Carting pipe	31 80
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse, etc.	8 25
James Fardy, sharpening tools . . .	4 60
Edwin M. Mann, wood	3 50
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	46 50
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening tools . .	4 80
E. W. Campagna, lumber	1 25
C. D. Hill, oil	4 00
Frank H. Langley, sharpening tools . .	7 92
John B. McGrane, labor	26 60
John Harris, labor	28 00
S. Jones, labor and care of lights . .	65 00
John Sheehan, labor	26 60
William Dorr, labor	22 60
William Mahady, labor	31 68
J. Wilkinson, labor	16 50
G. Foster, labor	30 90
Edward Quinn, labor	19 70
E. Erskine, labor	17 10
James Barry, labor	13 10
J. H. Welch, labor	15 80
James Riley, labor	15 30
John Sheehan, labor	12 50
M. Lagan, labor	12 00
W. R. Lynch, labor	12 50
P. Madigan, labor	27 50
E. Holbrook, labor	23 00

Paid J. Hoye, labor	\$17 40
John Curran, labor	18 65
William Gill, labor	32 30
Manley & Robinson, labor	24 40
William Shepard labor	13 60
H. Hickey, labor	12 00
M. Mullins, labor	10 70
Thomas Kiley, labor	22 40
William Cordingley, labor	9 00
P. Crosby, labor	6 00
G. Wilkinson, labor	17 80
M. Flaherty, labor	10 50
William Brennan, labor	9 90
P. Meaney, labor	9 00
John Dunn, labor	27 40
Sumner Thayer, labor	7 50
R. McAuliffe, labor	8 00
William Lynch, labor	10 60
M. Sheridan, labor	15 10
Joe Crosby, labor	8 10
William Fox, labor	11 50
T. Donahue & Son, labor	9 80
James Williams, labor	21 50
G. Bacigalupo, labor	26 30
P. Greene	15 30
P. Mannix	7 70
John Meaney	6 00
Thomas DeNeil	1 50
John Sheehan	14 40
M. Devine	1 50
B. Manley	5 60
W. Robinson	16 30
Thomas Duff	7 60
J. Lyons	7 60

Paid R. Hamilton	\$1 00
John P. Rooney	4 90
E. Donahue	6 00
J. Manning	5 00
Peter B. Hand	4 00
Antonia Dirosa	60 75
Tommaso Dirosa	52 50
Fred ———	48 75
Louis ———	46 50
Total	<u>\$2,095 51</u>

Cost per foot, including pipe, hydrants, gates, etc., $81\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

Cost per foot, not including pipe, hydrants, gates, etc., $39\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

EXTENSION ON HIGH STREET.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 2,144 feet 6-inch pipe,	\$657 35
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants	82 65
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches, etc.,	10 59
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse, etc.,	10 50
Carting pipe	26 70
James Fardy, sharpening tools	5 60
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	41 80
C. D. Hill, oil	4 00
Frank H. Langley, sharpening tools	4 01
Joseph Jones, wood	1 88
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening tools	2 60
James Riley, labor	14 30
John Curran, labor	14 20
Thomas Duff, labor	14 50
William Brennan, labor	13 30
M. Sheridan, labor	15 00

Paid James Barry, labor	.	.	.	.	\$11 50
Thomas Hand & Son, labor	.	.	.	.	11 35
R. Hamilton, labor	.	.	.	.	13 70
P. Green, labor	.	.	.	.	11 50
P. Mannix, labor	.	.	.	.	12 30
William Cordingly, labor	.	.	.	.	12 60
J. Lyons, labor	.	.	.	.	8 30
William Shepard, labor	.	.	.	.	16 00
H. Hickey, labor	.	.	.	.	13 00
B. Manley, labor	.	.	.	.	18 93
E. Erskine, labor	.	.	.	.	14 50
M. Halpine, labor	.	.	.	.	6 90
M. Good, labor	.	.	.	.	27 00
M. Lagan, labor	.	.	.	.	12 80
William Barry, labor	.	.	.	.	9 00
William Good, labor	.	.	.	.	11 70
D. Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	10 90
John Wilkinson, labor	.	.	.	.	7 40
M. Ford, labor	.	.	.	.	14 50
P. Pierce, labor	.	.	.	.	15 90
S. Jones, labor	.	.	.	.	26 00
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	.	.	24 00
William Robinson, labor	.	.	.	.	22 10
George Foster, labor	.	.	.	.	21 90
John Sheehan, labor	.	.	.	.	22 00
George Sias, labor	.	.	.	.	16 50
Thomas Buckley, labor	.	.	.	.	22 00
John P. Rooney, labor	.	.	.	.	6 50
P. Madigan, labor	.	.	.	.	19 75
William Gill, labor	.	.	.	.	29 40
John Harris, labor	.	.	.	.	22 00
P. Kiley, labor	.	.	.	.	11 10
G. Bacigalupo, labor	.	.	.	.	23 50
William Dorr, care of lights and labor	.	.	.	.	44 00

Paid William Mahady, labor	.	.	.	\$27 22
H. Welsh, labor	.	.	.	11 80
Joe Crosby, labor	.	.	.	14 30
William H. Shepard, labor	.	.	.	1 50
M. Flaherty, labor	.	.	.	10 60
G. Wilkinson, labor	.	.	.	4 50
John Dunn, labor	.	.	.	5 00
Thomas Kiley, labor	.	.	.	9 75
William Fox, labor	.	.	.	4 00
M. Harty, labor	.	.	.	4 60
D. Leahy, labor	.	.	.	5 60
P. Crosby, labor	.	.	.	9 50
M. Moran, labor	.	.	.	6 00
R. Paisley, labor	.	.	.	6 00
P. B. Hand, labor	.	.	.	25 00
P. Pierce, 20 loads gravel	.	.	.	1 60
W. Dinter, sand	.	.	.	20
Antonia Dirosa	.	.	.	42 75
Tomasso Dirosa	.	.	.	37 00
Fred —, labor	.	.	.	38 00
Louis —, labor	.	.	.	38 00
Zafalee —, labor	.	.	.	20 00
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Total	.	.	.	\$1,812 43

Cost per foot, including pipe, hydrants and gates, $84\frac{1}{2}$ cents. •

Cost per foot, not including pipe, hydrants, etc., $39\frac{1}{2}$ cents.

On this extension, as on the one on Chestnut Street, we were obliged to use the pump in a greater part of the trenches, which caused an increase in the cost over what some of the other extensions which we have made have cost.

EXTENSION ON ALLEN STREET.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 828 feet 6-inch pipe .	\$253 68
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and gates .	51 43
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches and plugs,	7 21
George E. Gilchrist, gate boxes . .	9 00
Chadwick Lead Co., lead . . .	16 75
Carting pipe	9 25
James Fardy, sharpening tools . .	60
Oriental Powder Co., rend rock, fuse and caps,	4 50
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening tools . .	40
C. D. Hill, oil	3 12
F. H. Langley, sharpening tools . .	2 27
E. M. Mann, wood	1 75
G. Bacigalupo, labor	12 70
George Sias, labor	10 70
Thomas Kiley, labor	12 00
John Sheehan, labor	12 30
Sorriana Jones	12 40
George Foster, labor	12 00
P. Madigan, labor and care of lights .	44 10
John Wilkinson, labor	10 90
William Shepard, labor	4 95
John Curran, labor	3 80
James Welch, labor	12 35
James Barry, labor	8 70
James Hoye, labor	9 90
Dominick Hand, labor	10 65
Philip Green, labor	1 15
John Sheehan, 2d, labor	6 50
James Lyons, labor	7 95
R. Hamilton, labor	8 78
E. Donahue, labor	8 70
John Harris, labor	8 40

Paid B. Manley, labor	\$6 20
William Dore, labor	5 70
Thomas Hand, labor	1 00
Dennis Whalin, labor	1 00
William Keefe, labor	1 00
Peter B. Hand, labor	12 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	89
Town team, labor	67
Antonio Dirosa, labor	22 50
Thomas Dirosa, labor	20 00
Fred ———, labor	20 00
Total	<hr/> \$669 85

Cost per foot, including pipe, gates, etc., $80\frac{7}{8}$ cents.

Cost per foot, not including pipe, gates, etc., $37\frac{3}{8}$ cents.

On this extension we have two taking water, and this extends the pipe on Allen Street from Main Street to the residence of Columbus Holbrook.

In making these extensions the method was same as last year in the employment of town labor as far as possible, and all who applied were given work.

The pipe used was all six-inch, of about 30 pounds to the foot.

These mains were all laid the usual depth, $4\frac{1}{8}$ feet, in a careful manner, and we tried to leave all streets in as good shape as possible.

CHARLES A. WALES,

DANIEL B. WHITE,

PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH, February 4, 1897.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find

them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

The buildings and grounds at the station are all in good order, except the painting of house, which is to be done in the spring.

In regard to the condition of boilers, pumps, etc., we refer you to the report of Engineer E. J. T. Dexter, and Hartford Steam Boiler and Inspection Company.

No repairs or additions of any amount for the coming year will be necessary.

REPORT OF E. J. T. DEXTER.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph and Holbrook:

Gentlemen,—I submit to you my ninth annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending December 31, 1896.

Everything in the pumping station is in good condition, with the exception of our service pipe, which supplies water for several purposes in and about the station. It is of common iron pipe, and has become corroded and filled up, and must be replaced by a new one immediately. There has been a new grate purchased for No. 1 boiler the past year, which makes our boiler plant in excellent condition and in need of nothing in the way of repairs for some time to come. There has been dug and stoned up, near the station, a dry well, which has been connected with the blow-off pipes from

the boilers to intercept the residue and washings from the boilers before entering the pond. It will be necessary the coming year to replace some of the window frames and sashes in the station cellar, and provide means for draining the area ways containing them to prevent them decaying. I would again call the attention of the Commissioners to the need of painting the dwelling house; it has been eight years since it has received any attention in that line.

Following is the usual table showing the consumption of water for the year:

DATE.	Water Pumped.	Daily Average	Coal burned.	Daily Average
	Gallons.	Water Pumped, Gallons.	Pounds.	Coal Burned, Pounds.
January . . .	7,092,150	228,779	51,495	1,661
February . . .	8,397,494	299,910	53,700	1,907
March . . .	8,328,162	268,844	58,978	1,902
April . . .	6,970,906	233,363	51,102	1,703
May . . .	10,691,962	344,892	63,922	2,094
June . . .	10,391,844	346,361	60,817	2,027
July . . .	12,338,374	398,012	75,811	2,446
August . . .	12,352,322	398,462	75,817	2,446
September . . .	8,078,840	239,295	50,079	1,669
October . . .	6,586,802	212,478	46,479	1,500
November . . .	6,606,084	220,203	45,162	1,505
December . . .	7,215,834	235,994	51,049	1,646
Total . . .	115,050,778	314,347	648,401	1,771
Increase on last year,	15,473,848	41,533		

Number of gallons pumped per pound of coal, 168.

E. J. T. DEXTER, *Engineer*.

BOILER INSPECTORS' REPORT.

BOSTON, MASS., December 30, 1896.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the twenty-eighth day of December, 1896, by Inspector H. Harden:

H. T. Boiler No. 1.

Internally : There was a thin deposit on the tubes and portions of the shell plates, which was dry and flaky, and can be readily removed. No active corrosion was found. Laps and flanges were intact. Braces were sound, and of good tension. So far as could be seen, the openings to steam and water connections were clear. Fusible plug showed no wasting. There were slight traces of oil found in the boiler, but not to a serious extent. A grease extractor is used for the feed water. Soda has been used with good results, and we advise its continued use.

Externally : A light general wear was noted on shell plates and tube heads. No blisters or fractures were noted. Seams and tube ends showed no leakage or distress. Boiler appliances were in working order. Steam gauge was correct. Brick setting was in fair condition.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works.

BOSTON, MASS., November 13, 1896.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the twelveth day of November, 1896, by Inspectors Foord and Harden :

H. T. Boiler No. 2.

Internally : The heads, tubes and shell plates are free from incrustation, corrosion and deposit. No indications of distress were noted at the seams. The openings to steam connections and water gauges are clear. The bracing is sound and taut. No loose deposit was noted on the bottom of the shell. The fusible plug was removed, and is to be replaced by a new one.

Externally : No fractures or corrosion were noted on the shell plates. The blister on the second plate has not extended since the last inspection. The patches are in good condition. No leaks or distress were noted at the seams or tube ends. No defects were noted on the heads. Brickwork is in good repair. The safety valve and other appliances are in good working order.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works.

GREAT POND.

No change in the supply of water during the year is noted, and as before we have removed all grass, bushes and weeds from the edges, and it seems to have a good effect.

The quality of the water remains good, except at certain times in the year a slight color and taste are noted, and this is more liable to be in the spring than any other time.

The State Board of Health examines the water a number of times during the year, and samples are sent to them from different parts of the pond as ordered, and they analyze the same and have reported the quality as good.

STAND PIPES.

The stand pipes have required no repairs during the last year, and in the coming year will require to be painted both inside and out.

The grounds around the stand pipes remain in the same condition as last year.

MAINS.

The mains where we have been obliged to remove parts, or been able to see the inside, seem to be almost in the same condition as when laid, and the coating on both sides remains good.

There have been only three or four small leaks during the year, except the one on Union Street, where we were obliged to remove about six feet of 12-inch pipe and replace the same. This was the worst break we have had for nearly three years.

The mains have been extended the past year on High Street from opposite the residence of Robert Dickey south to the Canton line.

On Chestnut Street from the residence of William R. Roberts to a point just above the residence of Thomas Devine.

On Allen Street to opposite the residence of Columbus Holbrook.

We think that this town will compare favorably with any town or water works company in regard to the extensions of its mains through its streets.

HYDRANTS.

During the last year seven have been added, making 150 at the present time.

Of these, three are on extension of High Street, three on Chestnut and one on Allen Street.

A few have had to be dug around and the bases repaired.

In the fall all the hydrants were tested and left in good order for the winter.

In submitting this report we extend a most cordial invitation to all citizens and strangers to visit our water works and judge for themselves.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners.

HIRAM C. ALDEN, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER WORKS.

1896. DR.

Balance December 31, 1895	\$216 23
Received from water rates, etc. . . .	3,666 71
from Holbrook (bal. joint account) . .	910 79
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	\$4,793 83

1896. CR.

Paid orders of Water Commissioners . .	\$3,542 23
Balance	1,251 60
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	\$4,793 83

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER WORKS.

1896. DR.

Amount received from H. C. Alden . .	\$1,251 60
Received from :	

	Town Appropriation.	Water Rates.	Interest.	Sale of Bonds.	
Mar.,	\$2,000 00	\$314 62			2,314 62
April,			\$10 14		10 14
June,		155 00	*36 67	\$2,106 40	2,298 07
July,		1,789 50			1,789 50
Aug.		338 00	1 26		339 26
Sept.		259 48	*15 77	2,007 00	2,282 25
Oct.	2,000 00	136 83			2,136 83
Nov.		338 02	2 36		340 38
Dec.		2,242 98	*19 89	1,050 00	3,312 87
Totals	\$4,000	\$5,574 43	\$86 09	\$5,163 40	\$16,075 52

* Interest accrued on bonds and received at time of sale.

1896.	Cr.		
Paid :			
	Orders of Water Com.	Interest on Coupons.	Totals.
March	\$412 25		\$412 25
April	174 00	\$1,980 00	2,154 00
May	244 65		244 65
June	388 61	420 00	808 61
July	1,241 32		1,241 32
August	1,954 06	440 00	2,394 06
September	161 75	60 00	221 75
October	2,536 96	1,980 00	4,516 96
November	397 68	420 00	817 68
December	1,451 17	60 00	1,511 17
Totals	<u>\$8,962 45</u>	<u>\$5,360 00</u>	
Balance on hand December 31, 1896,			1,753 07
			<u>\$16,075 52</u>

RANDOLPH, February 4, 1897.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Joseph T. Leahy as Treasurer of Water Commissioners, and find the same to be correct, and the balance as stated above to be on deposit in the National Exchange Bank, Boston.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

DR.

1896.

Balance on hand December 31, 1895	.	.	\$4,784 89
Received appropriation of town	.	.	3,000 00
Received town of Randolph note	.	.	2,000 00
Received interest :			

On above note	.	.	.	\$3 11
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O. C. R.R., Jan. '96, July '96,				
Jan. '97	.	.	.	180 00

Maine Central, May '96, Oct. '96,				30 00
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Fitchburg R.R., May '96, Oct. '96,				135 00
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Cleveland, O., May '96, Oct. '96,				160 00
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Received town of Randolph bonds :

3 of 1895, Nov.	.		\$60 00
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17 of 1896, May and Nov.			680 00
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740 00

Received on deposits in banks :

National Exchange	.		\$14 24
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Randolph Savings	.		58 04
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North Easton Savings,			
'93 to '96	.	.	148 66

Quincy Savings, '93 to '96,			148 66
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Brockton Savings, '93 to			
'96	.	.	148 66

Abington Savings, '93 to			
'96	.	.	168 47

Mass. Loan & Trust Co.,			4 41
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691 14

1,939 25

\$11,724 14

1896.	Cr.	
Feb. Loaned note to town of Randolph	.	\$2,000 00
March. Loaned note to town of Randolph	.	4,000 00
Balance on hand December 31, 1896	.	<u>5,724 14</u>
		\$11,724 14

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF WATER ACCOUNT.

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds	\$148,000 00	
Interest on bonds (estimated) .	<u>1,693 33</u>	\$149,693 33

ASSETS.

Sinking fund	<u>41,344 14</u>	
Net water debt December 31, 1896 .		\$108,349 19

STATE OF THE RANDOLPH WATER LOAN
SINKING FUND.

\$3,000 00	3 Fitchburg R.R. bonds, 4½ coupon.
3,000 00	1 Old Colony bond, 4 registered.
500 00	1 Maine Central bond, 6 coupon.
17,000 00	17 Town of Randolph bonds, 4 coupon.
4,000 00	4 City of Cleveland bonds, 4 coupon.
1,168 47	Deposit in Abington Savings Bank.
1,148 66	Deposit in Brockton Savings Bank.
1,148 66	Deposit in North Easton Savings Bank.
1,148 66	Deposit in Quincy Savings Bank.
825 23	Deposit in Randolph Savings Bank.
4,000 00	Town of Randolph demand note, 4 per cent.
120 00	Interest on above note.
4,284 46	On deposit in Mass. Loan & Trust Co.
<u>\$41,344 14</u>	

RANDOLPH, February 8, 1897.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, Mass., have this day examined the Sinking Fund and find it to agree with the statement above made.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

The Treasurer, in submitting his report, has endeavored as far as possible to go into detail in each of the respective accounts under his charge

All payments, with the exception of treasury notes, expense account, interest on town coupon notes and State tax have been made upon authority of the Selectmen, and will be found embodied in their report of Town Orders. Even the interest on treasury notes has been thus paid, but this account, being more than others directly in the province of the Treasurer, will be found in detail in his report.

DR.		HIRAM C. ALDEN, TREASURER, IN	
Balance on hand January 1, 1896	. . . . .		\$6,006 52
Received from State Treasurer :			
For State paupers	. . . . .	\$3 74	
For contagious diseases	. . . . .	62 21	
For Massachusetts school fund	. . . . .	269 20	
		<u> </u>	335 15
Received from County Treasurer :			
For dog licenses	. . . . .		485 70
Received from interest :			
From water commissioners	. . . . .	1,540 00	
From deposits	. . . . .	11 45	
		<u> </u>	1,551 45
Received from note, Town of Randolph	. . . . .		2,000 00
Received from other towns, pauper account :			
Holbrook	. . . . .	\$624 40	
Boston	. . . . .	16 50	
Milton	. . . . .	24 00	
Quincy	. . . . .	14 15	
Braintree	. . . . .	96 50	
Taunton	. . . . .	73 00	
		<u> </u>	848 55
Received from taxes of 1895	. . . . .		700 00
			<u> </u>
			\$11,927 37

ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

CR.

Paid Town Orders									\$3,023 61
Interest :									
On water bonds								\$600 00	
coupon notes								170 00	
town note								3 11	
								<u> </u>	773 11
Expense account :									
H. C. Alden, salary								50 00	
Court fees :									
E. F. Knight								7 15	
F. J. Donahoe								5 51	
								<u> </u>	12 66
									62 66
Town notes								5,000 00	
								2,000 00	
								<u> </u>	7,000 00
Balance on hand March 1, 1896									1,067 99

\$11,927 37

ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

CR.

Paid town orders		\$49,216 84
Treasury notes		45,000 00
Coddington Fund		1,600 00
Expense account — Court fees :		
E. F. Knight	\$38 59	
F. J. Donahoe	5 57	
F. W. Vye	23 11	
T. J. Kiernan	1 07	
M. F. Sullivan	14 80	
Thomas Farrell	81 88	
	<hr/>	165 02
Returns of births, marriages and deaths :		
Dr. Kinnier	\$4 50	
Dr. Granger	10 50	
Dr. Chase	1 75	
Dr. Linfield	25	
Dr. Farnham	50	
John B. Wren	7 25	
R. Houghton	13 25	
Joseph T. Leahy	49 55	
Census births	15 00	
	<hr/>	102 55
Notifying Representative		2 00
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Interest on town coupon notes		170 00
State tax		1,645 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer December 31, 1896		4,162 68

\$102,064 09

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

Paid interest on town notes :

Feb. 1 and Aug. 1. Coupon notes	\$340 00
Feb. 17. Note to sinking fund, Feb. 3 to 17	3 11
(No orders issued for above.)	
April 23. Note, \$10,000, 8 mos., $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent, and \$2 premium,	\$281 33
April 29. Note, \$15,000, 6 mos., 3 days, 4 per cent, and \$3.75 premium	301 25
Sept. 29. Note, \$15,000, 6 mos. $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent	318 75
May 7. Note, \$10,000, 6 mos., 3 days, 4 per cent., and \$2.50 premium	200 83
June. Note, \$500, 1 year 5 per cent,	25 00
June and Dec. Note, \$10,000, 1 year 5 per cent	500 00
June and Dec. Note, \$5,000, 1 year, 4 per cent	200 00
June and Dec. Note, \$6,300 and \$3,000, 1 year, 4 per cent,	372 00
July and Jan. Note, \$5,000, 1 year, 4 per cent	200 00
Sept. 10. Note, \$5,000, 6 mos., 5 days, 6 per cent and $\frac{1}{4}$ com.,	166 67
Dec. 23. Note, \$10,000, 4 mos., 4 per cent and $\frac{1}{4}$ com.	158 34
Note, \$1,600, 6 mos., 4 per cent	32 00
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	2,756 17
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	\$3,099 28

CR.

Received from appropriation of town,	\$2,200 00	
Received from deposits in banks .	65 51	
Received from interest on taxes .	500 00	
	<hr/>	2,765 51
Expended in excess of receipts .	.	<hr/> \$333 77

To present to the tax-payers of Randolph a monthly statement of the town's finances in the briefest and most condensed form, the treasurer submits the following table.

To obtain the balance in the hands of the treasurer at the end of any month, add the receipts of that month to the balance shown in the preceding month and deduct the total payments for the month in question.

Months.	RECEIPTS.					EXPENDITURES.					Balance.
	Taxes.	Selectmen.	Notes.	Interest.	All other Sources.	Town Orders.	Court Fees and B. M. & D.	Interest.	Notes.	All other Payments.	
February . .	\$3,100 00	\$118 65	\$4,000 00	\$9 15	\$43 20	\$5,506 58	\$44 41	†\$60 00			\$1,067 99
March . .	1,150 00		25,000 00	3 45	2 00	5,220 74	11 55		\$15,000 00		2,728 00
April . .	1,050 00	76 00	10,000 00		38 80	4,717 76	18 07		10,000 00		8,651 16
May . .	1,000 00	50 00		3 73	1 00	4,193 28	8 44				5,080 13
June . .	2,000 00	170 14		8 22	7 62	2,207 86					1,933 14
July . .	1,000 00	35 00		4 55		2,261 51	20 07	170 00			1,911 26
August . .	3,800 00	114 75	5,000 00		24 26	2,942 48	2 75				499 23
September .	16,200 00	42 00			1 06	5,630 79					6,493 01
October . .	2,600 00	60 10		5 37	5 17	5,621 18	17 34		10,000 00		17,105 28
November .	2,400 00	329 64	11,600 00	*579 59	9,422 65	10,914 66	146 94		11,600 00	\$1,645 00	4,137 40
December . .											4,162 68

*Includes \$60 interest refunded.

†Interest on water bonds charged at bank to town account and later refunded.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Treasury notes on demand :

April 25, 1887. * Note to Lucy A.

Wilbur, 5 per cent \$500 00

July 1, 1889. * Note to Turner Free

Library, 4 per cent 5,000 00

(Given July 3, 1871, renewed since.)

June 17, 1893. * Note to Randolph

Savings Bank, 5 per cent . . . 10,000 00

(Renewal of six smaller notes.)

Dec. 12, 1894. * Note to Randolph

Savings' Bank, 4 per cent . . . 5,000 00

March 30, 1896. Note to Randolph

Sinking Fund, 4 per cent . . . 4,000 00

(In anticipation taxes of 1896.)

March 16, 1896. Note to Coddington

Fund, 4 per cent 1,600 00

(To replace amount of bank stock.)

Time notes :

Aug. 1, 1889. 9 coupon notes due

Aug. 1, 1899, 4 per cent . . . 8,500 00

(Allen Street and Highland Avenue.)

June 2, 1890. 3 notes due June 2,

1900, 4 per cent 6,300 00

(Liberty and Lafayette Streets.)

June 19, 1891. 1 note due June 19,

1901, 4 per cent 3,000 00

(Liberty, North and Lafayette Sts.)

April 29, 1896. * 1 note due April

29, 1897, 4½ per cent . . . 15,000 00

(Renewal of four smaller notes).

* The object for which these notes were originally issued is not recorded.

Sept. 10, 1896. 1 note due March		
10, 1897, 6 per cent . . .	\$5,000 00	
(Anticipation taxes of 1896.)		
Dec. 23, 1896. 1 note due April 23,		
1897, 4 per cent . . .	10,000 00	
(Anticipation taxes of 1896.)	—————	\$73,900 00
Interest on above notes (estimated) . .		441 50
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		\$74,341 50

ASSETS.

Salt marsh, Quincy . . .	\$300 00	
Unpaid taxes of 1895 . . .	5,936 20	
Unpaid taxes of 1896 . . .	17,623 26	
Interest on taxes (estimated) . .	1,603 00	
State aid to be refunded . . .	2,725 00	
Military aid to be refunded . . .	236 00	
Burial soldier to be refunded . .	35 00	
Due from other towns . . .	96 83	
Cash on hand . . .	4,162 68	
	—————	32,717 97
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Net town debt, Dec. 31, 1896 . . .		\$41,623 53

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,
Treasurer.

RANDOLPH, February 8, 1897.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

ANNUAL ELECTION, MARCH, 1896.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday, the second day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot ; also, on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question : "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the fire department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves, under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law, to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate to the payment of interest on the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to renew its contract with Charles Doughty for lighting the streets by electricity, and to place additional lights on Roel Street, Fowler Street, High Street, Maple Street, South Street, South Main Street and Wales Avenue, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 14. To see if the town will pay the late Treasurer, Hiram C. Alden, the sum of seventy-five dollars, being amount paid by him for insurance on Treasurer's bond, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to make certain alterations in or additions to the North Grammar School building, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 16. To see if the town will authorize the School Committee to make a contract to transport some of the pupils

attending the Tower Hill School to the Prescott or North Grammar School, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 as amended, and to unite with the Town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns in the discretion of the School Committee, to employ a superintendent of schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main-pipe on Allen Street to the residence of Columbus Holbrook, as petitioned for by Columbus Holbrook and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main-pipe on Chestnut Street, as petitioned for by Thomas Devine and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 20. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily, in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 21. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they may deem most favorable for the town.

Article 22. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 23. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 24. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist Churches,

also the clock in Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 25. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 26. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 28. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same in any way relates to the water supply.

Article 29. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1887, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1896.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to pay for the

insurance on the Town Treasurer bond for the year 1896-7, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to extend the water pipes from the residence of Robert Dickey, on High Street, to the junction of said High and Vine Streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 34. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at 6 o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph, this seventeenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
FRED M. FRENCH,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy. Attest:

M. F. SULLIVAN, *Constable.*

OFFICER'S RETURN.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, February 29, 1896.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph herein described to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by

posting attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town, ten days before the time set for holding said meeting, and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper printed in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return thereon.

HIRAM C. ALDEN, *Town Clerk.*

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 2, 1896.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph assembled at Stetson Hall in said Randolph at six (6) o'clock A.M., March 2, 1896, and transacted the following business :

The Town Clerk, Hiram C. Alden, called the meeting to order at six o'clock A.M., and read the warrant and return.

The ballot box was examined and seemed to be all right. The polls were then opened.

By vote, the Town Clerk was authorized to deposit one ballot for John T. Flood for Moderator.

John T. Flood was accordingly elected Moderator.

Voted, that we proceed to ballot for all such town officers as towns are by law authorized to choose at their annual meeting, viz. :

A Town Clerk ; a Town Treasurer ; three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor ; one Superintending School Committee ; three Auditors ; seven Constables ; three Fish Wardens ; one Trustee Stetson School Fund ; one Water Commissioner ; one Collector of Taxes ; also on same ballot to vote "yes" or "no" in answer to the question, "Shall

license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town? ”

That the polls be kept open until two o'clock P.M. That Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 of the warrant be referred to a committee of seven to be appointed by the Moderator, said committee to report at an adjournment of this meeting; and when this meeting adjourns, it shall be to Monday, March 16, 1896, at seven o'clock P.M., for the purpose of taking action upon the report of said committee.

The committee was appointed as follows: J. White Belcher, Charles G. Hathaway, Rufus A. Thayer, Arthur Hagny, John V. Beal, William H. Gibbons, John B. Thayer.

The Moderator administered the oath of office to the following ballot clerks: Edward O'Flaherty, Thomas L. Stetson.

The Moderator appointed and administered the oath of office to the following persons: At check-list, Joseph J. McMahon, Fred L. Belcher; at ballot box, Rufus A. Thayer; deputy ballot clerks, Thomas Purcell, Weston P. Alden; tellers, Hugh J. Molloy, Nelson Mann, John P. Sullivan, James D. Sheridan, Royal T. Mann, F. Wayland Alden, Frank D. McCarthy, Arthur W. Alden; officers in charge, Thomas Farrell, Michael F. Sullivan.

The whole number of ballots checked by ballot clerks was 776; total number of names checked on voting list, 776; total number of ballots registered by ballot box, 785.

During the counting of the ballots, the following persons were elected to fill the several offices set against their names: Surveyors of Wood and Bark, Daniel B. White, Charles D. Hill, Charles Prescott, Joseph T. Leahy, Royal Abbott, *Charles F. Bean; Pound-Keeper, George R. Weaver; Field Drivers, John A. Hoyer, Thomas F. McGrath, William H. Leavitt, W. Ray Spear, John E. McNeill, Joseph P. Donovan.

* Oath of office has been taken.

Voted, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Randolph, in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time a sum or sums, in the aggregate amounting to not more than thirty-five thousand (35,000) dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six (6) per cent. per annum; all debts incurred under this vote (by the town) shall be paid from the taxes of the municipal year.

Voted, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or refund any or all notes of the town now outstanding that may be now due or on demand, or that may become due during the present year.

Voted, to accept the following list of jurors :

Alden, Albert M.	Donovan, Michael A.
Arth, Ernst.	Eddy, George H.
Brady, John F.	Elliott, George A.
Batchelder, H. P.	Field, John H.
Bigelow, John.	Fox, Thomas.
Binney, George L.	French, Fred A.
Burke, James.	French, George M.
Cain, Patrick.	Frizzell, William.
Casey, Peter.	Gibbons, Daniel.
Chessman, S. L.	Good, William.
Cole, Charles H.	Hand, Peter B.
Croak, William A.	Hagney, Arthur.
Curran, John.	Henderson, Duncan.
Dennehy, Daniel D.	Holbrook, Columbus.
Dolan, Charles S.	Howard, Charles H.

Jones, Rufus.	Niles, Amasa S.
King, Evander F.	Paine, Lewis B.
Kinnier, Patrick.	Poole, George A.
Long, Edward.	Porter, Franklin.
Lyons, Walter H.	Porter, William.
Mann, Edwin M.	Roberts, William R.
Mann, Horace P.	Scanlon, Maurice E.
McAuliffe, Robert.	Taber, Edwin A.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Thayer, Rufus A.

Voted, that the town authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates to the water supply.

Voted, that the town authorize and appoint the water commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1887, and to employ counsel if necessary.

The ballots having been sorted, counted and consolidated, the Moderator in open town meeting declared the result as follows :

Whole number of ballots cast	776
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FOR TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

Fred M. French had	355
Joseph T. Leahy * † had	399
Blanks	22

FOR SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Minot W. Baker had	400
William A. Croak had	213
Peter B. Hand * † had	427
Patrick H. McLaughlin * † had	406
John K. Willard * † had	499
Fred M. French had	1
S. Wilbur had	1
Blanks	381

FOR SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Asa P. French * † had	569
J. J. Dench had	1
Blanks	206

FOR TRUSTEE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

Asa P. French * † had	535
J. J. Dench had	1
Blanks	240

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER, THREE YEARS.

John H. Field had	97
Thomas J. Kiernan had	223
Charles A. Wales * † had	412
Blanks	44

FOR AUDITORS.

Michael F. Cunningham * † had	391
Jeremiah J. Desmond had	349
Charles G. Hathaway * † had	405
Otis L. Soule * † had	362
Daniel B. White had	311
Thomas J. Kiernan had	1
Blanks	509

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

James Burke had	301
Fred M. French * † had	413
Blanks	62

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

George L. Binney had	302
William Mahady * † had	350
James Riley * † had	454
James H. Wales * † had	476
Richard Keith had	1
Daniel D. Dennehy had	1
Blanks	744

FOR FISH WARDENS.

Augustus L. Chase * † had	314
Franklin W. Hayden had	473
Frederick W. Vye had	269
Charles A. Wales * † had	477
Omar W. Langley had	1
D. H. Huxford	1
Blanks	793

FOR CONSTABLES.

Charles F. Bean * † had	321
James E. Blanche * † had	439
Francis H. Cullen had	266
Frank J. Donahoe * † had	546
Thomas Farrell * † had	507
E. Forrest Knight * † had	433
Edgar B. Makepeace had	267
Lincoln Stetson * † had	488
Leonard Pierce had	223

Michael F. Sullivan * † had	.	.	.	.	.	418
Frederick W. Vye had	.	.	.	.	.	281
R. Meany had	.	.	.	.	.	1
W. W. Hurley had	.	.	.	.	.	1
W. Lyons had	.	.	.	.	.	1
William W. Hurley had	.	.	.	.	.	1
Nicholas English had	.	.	.	.	.	1
James Daly had	.	.	.	.	.	1
W. Murphy had	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	1,236

*† Elected and oath of office taken.

Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?

Yes	.	.	.	.	.	207
No	.	.	.	.	.	465
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	104

After the declaration of the result of the vote, it was —

Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to transfer all moneys, books, and other property of the Town of Randolph, now in the hands of Hiram C. Alden, late Treasurer, to Joseph T. Leahy, the newly elected Treasurer.

The ballots, voting list, ballot clerks' list and unused ballots were sealed up in open town meeting.

Voted, That the meeting be adjourned to Monday, March 16, 1896, at 7 o'clock, P.M.

The above records are taken from minutes made by the late Town Clerk, Hiram C. Alden, and recorded by me, and are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,
Town Clerk.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 16, 1896.

Agreeably to adjournment of the annual town meeting, held March 2, 1896, the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, assembled in Stetson Hall at 7 o'clock P.M., and transacted the following business :

The Moderator, John T. Flood, Esq., called the meeting to order promptly at 7 o'clock. Few voters being present at that time, a recess of twenty minutes was declared.

Promptly at 7.20 o'clock the meeting was again called to order.

In order to avoid discussion during the meeting, the Moderator declared that no motion would be entertained, unless the "mover" and "seconder" each arose in his place and addressed the chair.

Article 4. Voted, that the report of the several town officers for the year ending December 31, 1895, be accepted.

Article 5. Voted, that the sum of \$8,921 be raised and appropriated as follows :

For teaching	\$7,080 00
care of rooms	550 00
fuel	425 00
miscellaneous and incidental expenses and general repairs	600 00
painting school buildings	300 00
books and supplies	600 00
flags and flagstaffs	100 00
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	\$9,655 00
Less estimated revenue from dog tax, State school tax and Coddington fund	734 00
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	\$8,921 00

And that the sum of \$2,200 be raised and appropriated for for Stetson High School; and in addition thereto, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Trustees, for the support of said Stetson High School, the amount of bank tax received by him and arising from the investment known as the Stetson School Fund. Voted, that the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized and directed to borrow upon notes of the Town of Randolph such sums of money not exceeding \$3,000 as may be required to pay the expenses incurred for the support of schools, including Stetson High School, from January 1, 1897, to March 1 in said year, and that said notes thus issued shall be a part and be paid from the money raised and appropriated for the support of schools for the year 1897.

Article 6. Voted, that the sum of \$4,500 be raised and appropriated for repairs of highways, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, as follows :

General repairs, including sidewalks	.	.	\$3,500 00
Paving	.	.	500 00
Removing snow	.	.	500 00
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			\$4,500 00

It is also recommended that, in the repair of sidewalks, no material shall be used except screened gravel.

Article 7. Voted, that the sum of \$13,700 be raised and appropriated to defray the general town expenses for the current year, as follows :

Miscellaneous expenses	.	.	.	.	\$2,400 00
Poor in almshouse	.	.	.	.	1,500 00
Poor out of almshouse	.	.	.	.	3,600 00
Soldiers' relief	.	.	.	.	300 00
Soldiers' relief in Randolph and Holbrook	.	.	.	.	800 00
Military aid	.	.	.	.	150 00

Town officers	\$2,400 00
Interest on town debt	2,200 00
Board of Health	150 00
Lockup expenses	200 00
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	\$13,700 00

Article 8. Voted, that the sum of \$2,220 be raised and appropriated for the Fire Department, as follows :

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
hour service at fires (estimated)	225 00
insurance	60 00
repairs	225 00
fires in woodland	50 00
pay of 55 men at \$12 each	660 00
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	\$2,220 00

Article 9. Voted, that the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for the decoration of soldiers' graves, under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and contributed to the "Sinking Fund" to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan when due.

Article 11. Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for the payment of interest on the Randolph Water Loan, as it accrues on the same.

Article 12. Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 13. Voted, that the Selectmen be empowered to make such contract with Charles Doughty for lighting the streets by electricity as they may deem expedient, and that the sum of \$3,400 be raised and appropriated for said purpose ; also that the placing of additional lights and mak-

ing such changes in the location of those already established, as may be thought necessary, be left with the Selectmen.

Article 14. Voted, that this Article be referred to the Selectmen to consider the legality of such payment, and if found by them to be a lawful claim against the town, to pay the same from the general appropriation for miscellaneous expenses.

Article 15. Voted, to postpone for the present year.

Article 16. Voted, that the sum of \$400 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of opening a new school in Tower Hill schoolhouse; to defray expenses incurred by preparing same, and in payment of salary of a teacher.

Article 17. Voted, to indefinitely postpone.

Article 18, 19 and 33. Voted, that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend the water pipes on Allen Street to the residence of Columbus Holbrook on Chestnut Street, as petitioned for by Thomas Devine and others, and on High Street from the residence of Robert Dickey to the junction of High and Vine Streets, so far as the proceeds from the sale of the two water bonds remaining unsold will pay for the same; and should the proceeds thereof be insufficient in their estimation to complete said extensions, it is then recommended that the town, at a legal meeting called for that purpose, authorize the Water Commissioners to petition the Legislature for authority to issue additional bonds not exceeding \$10,000 for the completion of said extensions and for other legitimate purposes.

Article 23. Voted, that $\frac{3}{4}$ of one per cent be allowed for the collection of taxes.

Article 24. Voted, that the sum of \$50 be raised and appropriated for the care of and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist Churches; also the clock in Stetson Hall, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 25. Voted, that the town instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers or direct officers elected by the town to enforce all the laws of the Commonwealth, and that the sum of \$500 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 26. Voted, that each person employed by the town shall receive such sum of money as is equal to the value of his labor; and that the laborers residing in town and the residents owning teams shall be employed in preference to any others.

Article 27. Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated for medical attendance on the poor; said sum to be apportioned equally among the several physicians, and to be in full for attendance upon all persons under the care of the Overseers of the Poor for one year from January, 1896. That is to say, each resident physician shall receive the sum of \$50 for his services, provided he makes fifty visits during the year; after that, he shall receive no compensation for his services, but shall attend such of the poor as may call upon him for his services; those physicians that make less than fifty visits shall receive pay at the rate of one dollar for each of said visits.

Article 30. Voted, that the town authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1896.

Article 31. Voted, that the town authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a Town Treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 32. Voted, that the salary of the Town Treasurer be fixed at \$300 per year; and, in addition to the same, that a sum not exceeding \$150 be raised and appropriated for the payment of the premium on the guarantee bond of said Treasurer for the year 1896-1897, in some reliable company, the same to be approved by the Selectmen as required by law.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by rising vote :

"Resolved, that the voters of the Town of Randolph, in town meeting assembled, express their appreciation of the integrity and faithfulness of their late Town Clerk and Treasurer, Hiram C. Alden, as manifested during an exceptionally long term of service."

The following resolution was also adopted :

"Resolved, that the Town Treasurer be instructed to set apart, and hereafter to keep separate and distinct under the name of the 'Coddington Fund' the proceeds of the Randolph National Bank stock recently converted into cash, and formerly constituting a portion of said fund."

Voted, unanimously, that the sum of \$20 be paid John T. Flood, Esq., for his services as Moderator.

After expressing thanks, Mr. Flood directed that the above amount be paid by the Selectmen to Post 110, G.A.R., for their monument fund.

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Under Article	5	.	.	.	.	\$11,121 00
"	6	.	.	.	.	4,500 00
"	7	.	.	.	.	13,700 00
"	8	.	.	.	.	2,220 00
"	9	.	.	.	.	100 00
"	10	3,000 00
"	11	2,000 00
"	12	2,000 00
"	13	3,400 00
"	16	400 00
"	24	50 00
"	25	500 00
"	27	300 00
"	32	150 00
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						\$43,441 00

State tax (estimated)	.	.	.	\$2,331 91
County tax (estimated)	.	.	.	3,000 00
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				\$48,772 91

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the thirty-first day of March, inst., at 7.30 o'clock P.M., then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will direct and authorize the Water Commissioners to petition the present Legislature in behalf of said town for authority to issue from time to time bonds, notes or scrip to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, in addition to the amount heretofore authorized by law, for the purpose of raising money to pay the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1885, in manner and form designated in said Act ; also for extending its system of water works.

Article 3. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint one or more night police, and raise and appro-

priate money for the payment of the same, as petitioned for by Edmund Cottle & Co. and others.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, on or before the time and hour for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph, this 23d day of March A.D. 1896.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,

Selectmen of Randolph.

OFFICER'S RETURN.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, March 30.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town seven days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return thereon.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 31, 1896.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, assembled at Stetson Hall at 7.30 o'clock P.M., on Tuesday, March 31, 1896.

The Town Clerk called the meeting to order, and read the warrant and return thereon.

Article 1. Asa P. French was elected Moderator.

Article 2. Voted, unanimously, that the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Randolph be authorized and directed, in behalf of said Town of Randolph, to petition the present Legislature for authority to issue, from time to time, bonds, notes or scrip, not exceeding ten thousand dollars, in addition to the amounts already authorized by law, for the purpose of raising money to pay the necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1885, in manner and form and with the same powers as are provided for in said Act for the issue of the "Randolph Water Loan" by said town of Randolph, also for extending its system of water works.

Article 3. This Article occasioned a great deal of discussion, "pro and con." Two motions, one to raise and appropriate one thousand dollars to pay two night police, the other to raise and appropriate five hundred dollars to pay one night police, were successively defeated.

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble in Stetson Hall in said town, on Wednesday the twenty-seventh day of May, instant, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz. :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will accept Chapter 372 of the Acts of the Legislature for A.D. 1896, entitled, "An Act to authorize the Town of Randolph to make an additional Water Loan."

Article 3. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they may deem most favorable to the town; also to ratify the action of the Treasurer in relation to any note or notes that may have been renewed since the annual town meeting, with the approval of the Selectmen.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof, at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the day and hour of said meeting.

Given under hands at Randolph this eighteenth day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,
Selectmen of Randolph.

OFFICER'S RETURN.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, May 25.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose herein described, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town, eight days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper printed in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, May 27, 1896.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, assembled in Stetson Hall, on Wednesday evening, May 27, 1896, at 7.30 o'clock.

The Town Clerk called the meeting to order, and read the warrant and the officer's return thereon.

Owing to the small number of voters present, it was —

Voted, to take a recess till 7.45 o'clock.

Promptly at 7.45 o'clock the Town Clerk again called the meeting to order.

John T. Flood was elected Moderator.

Article 2. Voted, unanimously, that Chapter 372 of the Acts of the Legislature for A.D. 1896 be accepted; and that the Water Commissioners be authorized to proceed to issue bonds according to the tenor of the act.

Article 3. Explanation as to the meaning of this Article being called for, the Town Clerk stated that while the town, at its annual meeting, had already voted favorably on a similar article, a two-thirds vote, together with a record showing that the vote *was* a two thirds vote, was necessary to render it operative; the records of the annual meeting (taken from minutes of previous incumbent) make no mention of a two-thirds vote and would not be accepted by bankers in Boston; hence the necessity of the present Article.

It was voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or refund any or all notes of the town now outstanding, that may be now due or on demand, or that may become due during the year; and that the renewal by the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, of any note or notes of the town since the annual town meeting of A.D. 1896 be ratified.

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

ELECTION WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you

are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, to assemble in Stetson Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of November next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes to the Selectmen on one ballot for Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, two Electors-at-large and one Elector for each Congressional District into which the Commonwealth is divided, for a Representative in the fifty-fifth Congress of the United States for the Twelfth District, for Governor, for Lieutenant Governor, for a Councillor for the Second District, for Secretary of the Commonwealth, for Treasurer and Receiver General, for Auditor of the Commonwealth, for an Attorney General, for a Senator for the First Norfolk District, for one Representative in the General Court for the Seventh Norfolk District, for a Clerk of Courts in and for Norfolk County, for one County Commissioner in and for Norfolk County, for one Special Commissioner in and for Norfolk County, also to give in their votes by ballot for or against the following Articles of Amendment to the Constitution, to-wit :

"First Article of Amendment.—The Governor and Lieutenant Governor and Councillors shall hold their respective offices for two years next following the first Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

"The first election to which this article shall apply shall be that held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and thereafter elections for the choice of all the officers before mentioned shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

"All the provisions of the Constitution inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby annulled.

"The Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor

and Attorney General shall hold their respective offices two years, beginning with the third Wednesday in the January succeeding their election, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead.

"A person shall be eligible as Treasurer and Receiver General for three successive terms and no more.

"The first election to which this article shall apply shall be that held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; and thereafter elections for the choice of all the officers before mentioned shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

"All the provisions of the Constitution inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby annulled."

"Second Article of Amendment.— Senators and representatives shall hold their respective offices for terms of two years, beginning with the first Wednesday in the January succeeding their election.

"The first election to which this article shall apply shall be that held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; and thereafter elections for the choice of senators and representatives shall be held biennially on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

"The general court shall assemble every year on the first Wednesday in January; and each general court shall, without any proclamation or other act of the governor, be finally dissolved on the day preceding the day appointed for the first assembling of the next elected general court.

"All the provisions of the Constitution inconsistent with the provisions herein contained are hereby annulled."

The polls for the reception of the ballots aforesaid will be opened at six o'clock A.M. and will be kept open for four hours, and such further time as the voters shall determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof, at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph, this twentieth day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest : MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable.*

OFFICER'S RETURN.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, October 31, 1896.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town, eight days before the time set for holding said meeting, and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

ANNUAL STATE ELECTION.

RANDOLPH, November 3, 1896.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote at State elections, assembled in Stetson Hall at six o'clock A.M., on Tuesday, November 3, 1896.

The meeting being called to order, the warrant and return was read by Patrick H. McLaughlin, chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

The following named persons were appointed as special officers to assist in conducting the election, viz.: W. A. Croak and Thomas J. Kiernan, ballot clerks; Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, assistant inspectors; Royal T. Mann, Franklin W. Hayden, John P. Sullivan, William B. Spear, Hugh J. Molloy, John H. Field, Arthur W. Alden, William W. Hurley, Herbert F. French, Edward Long, John B. Brennan, Nelson Mann, tellers; Fred M. French, assistant at check-list.

All the above named persons were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Joseph J. McMahon, in charge of ballot box; sworn by Patrick H. McLaughlin.

The election officers delivered to the ballot clerks a package said to contain eleven hundred and fifty (1,150) ballots, and took their receipt therefor.

Voted, that the polls remain open till two o'clock P.M.

The ballot box, by unanimous consent of the election officers, was opened four times before the close of the polls, at the following named hours:

At 7.45 A.M., when the register showed 236 votes.

At 9.07 A.M., when the register showed 436 votes.

At 10.35 A.M., when the register showed 653 votes.

At 1 P.M., when the register showed 885 votes.

The ballot-box worked with perfect satisfaction all through the day, and at the close of the polls the counts of all departments were in unison.

The hour of two o'clock having arrived, the question of closing the polls was brought before the meeting.

Voted, to close the polls.

The ballot-box registered 937 ballots.

The check-list showed 937 names checked.

The ballot clerks issued 937 ballots.

The presiding officer counted 937 votes thrown.

The ballots being sorted and counted, a record of the same was made in open town meeting, and declaration of the result was made as follows :

For Electors of President and Vice-President,—

At Large :

Ernest C. Marshall of Boston	.	.	.	.	290
Daniel W. Kenney of Holyoke	.	.	.	.	290
Henry Winn of Malden, B. & S.	.	.	.	.	44
Henry Winn of Malden, B. & W.	.	.	.	.	1
Edward Kendall of Cambridge	.	.	.	.	1
Alfred W. Richardson of Springfield	.	.	.	.	1
John Q. A. Brackett of Arlington	.	.	.	.	465
William H. Haile of Springfield	.	.	.	.	465
Thomas J. Gargan of Boston	.	.	.	.	23
James S. Grinnell of Greenfield	.	.	.	.	23

Blanks, 271.

District No. 1 :

William B. Mahoney,	290	Franklin Carter,	465
Frank S. Gross,	46	James W. Hull,	23
Edward S. Rogers,	1	Blanks,	112

District No. 2 :

Joseph F. Callanan,	290	Hubbard Lawrence,	1
Wm. E. Mellen, B. & S.,	46	Augustus Coolidge,	465
Wm. E. Mellen, B. & W.,	1	Leander B. Morse,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 3 :

Levi Barker,	290	John Holt,	1
Enoch Earle, B. & S.,	46	Arthur F. Whitin,	465
Enoch Earle, B. & W.,	1	Eben S. Stevens,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 4 :

Henry J. Jaquith,	290	Edward G. Watkins,	1
Harry J. Jaquith, B. & S.,	46	Charles H. Moulton,	465
Harry J. Jaquith, B. & W.,	1	Charles J. Williams,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 5 :

Michael O'Mahoney,	290	James K. Fellows,	1
Jas. E. Donoghue, B. & S.,	46	Joseph Miller,	465
James E. Donoghue, B.		Sam D. Stevens,	23
& W.,	1	Blanks,	111

District No. 6 :

James P. Dearborn,	290	Albert B. Coats,	1
Thos. Sanders, B. & S.,	46	Sylvanus Smith,	465
Thos. Sanders, B. & W.,	1	Robert S. Rantoul,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 7 :

Edward B. Newhall,	290	Seth Weston,	1
Wm. J. Brickley, B. & S.,	46	Edward W. LaCroix,	465
Wm. J. Brickley, B. & W.,	1	Samuel K. Hamilton,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 8 :

John P. McCormick,	290	Robert O. Fuller,	465
Abijah Hall,	1	Godfrey Morse,	23
Blanks, 158.			

District No. 9 :

James J. Lanigan,	290	Charles A. Abbott,	1
William J. Burke, B. & S.,	46	Peter Morrison,	465
Wm. J. Burke, B. & W.,	1	Sigourney Butler,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 10 :

Quincy A. Lothrop, B. & S., Dem.,	290	Quincy A. Lothrop, B. & W.,	1
Quincy A. Lothrop, B. & S., Nom.,	46	John C. Cobb,	465
William J. Hurd,	1	Daniel L. Prendergast,	23
		Blanks,	111

District No. 11 :

William D. Leahy,	290	William H. Partridge,	1
James Jeffrey Roche, B. & S.,	46	Wilbur H. Powers,	465
Jas. Jeffrey Roche, B. & W.,	1	James E. Cotter,	23
		Blanks,	111

District No. 12 :

Francis A. Hobart, B. & S., Dem.,	290	Francis A. Hobart, B. & W.,	1
Francis A. Hobart, B. & S., Nom.,	46	Edwin Sawtelle,	1
		Henry A. Thomas,	465
		Charles G. Davis,	23
Blanks, 111.			

District No. 13 :

Thomas J. Meaney,	290	Edmund Anthony, Jr.,	465
Charles H. Lane,	46	Louis B. Thacher,	23
Charles A. Chace,	1	Blanks,	112

For Governor :

Thomas C. Brophy,	2	George Fred Williams,	
Allen Coffin,	3	P. P.,	9
Frederick O. Prince,	25	George Fred Williams,	
Roger Wolcott,	426	Nom.,	62
George Fred Williams,		George Fred Williams,	15
Dem.,	279	Blanks,	116

For Lieutenant Governor :

Christopher T. Callahan,	327	James E. McConnell,	31
W. Murray Crane,	400	William W. Nash,	3
Archibald Dakin,	3	Moritz E. Ruther,	1
Blanks, 172.			

Secretary :

Asa F. Hall,	15	Joseph H. Potts,	259
Waldo Lincoln,	54	Leroy D. Usher,	1
William M. Olin,	395	Willard O. Wylie,	3
Blanks, 210.			

Treasurer :

Charles G. F. Claus,	3	Horace P. Tobey,	66
Robert O. Habberley,	7	Thomas A. Watson,	266
Edward P. Shaw,	393	Blanks,	202

Auditor :

Maurice P. Cavanaugh,	125	Rufus H. Phinney,	2
Maurice J. Fitzgerald,	180	William P. Proctor,	4
Thomas A. Frizzell,	2	Charles E. Spellman,	30
John W. Kimball,	395	Blanks,	199

Attorney-General :

John C. Chase,	3	Hosea M. Knowlton,	390
Wolcott Hamlin,	9	William H. Morse,	4
Henry F. Hurlburt,	43	John B. O'Donnell,	290
Blanks, 198.			

Councilor, 2d District :

John J. Cantwell,	343	Benjamin S. Lovell,	414
Blanks, 180.			

Senator, First Norfolk District :

James H. Flint,	401	Frederick W. Hardwick,	21
James D. Grant,	346	Blanks,	169

Representative in General Court :

Henry A. Belcher,	506	John K. Willard,	386
Blanks, 45.			

Clerk of Courts, Norfolk :

Louis A. Cook,	313	Erastus Worthington,	147
David W. Murray,	341	Blanks,	136

County Commissioner, Norfolk :

Charles C. Sanderson,	353	Benjamin Gannett,	1
Edwin D. Wadsworth,	406	Blanks,	177

Special Commissioner, Norfolk :

George H. Mann,	453	Scattering,	5
		Blanks, 479.	

Representative in Congress, 12th District :

Elbridge Gerry Brown,	321	William C. Lovering,	411
		Blanks, 205.	

First Article of Amendment :

Yes.	170	No,	388
		Blank, 379.	

Second Article of Amendment :

Yes,	155	No,	369
		Blanks, 413.	

The ballots and unused ballots and the check-list used by the election officers were sealed up in open town meeting, returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth according to law, and at 8.10 o'clock P.M. the meeting was dissolved.

A true record of doings according to my best knowledge and belief.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

MEETING OF TOWN CLERKS.

RANDOLPH, November 13, 1896.

Agreeably to the provisions of law regarding the election of Representatives to the General Court, the Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph met at Randolph on Friday, the thirteenth day of November, at 12 M.

We hereby certify that at an election held in said towns on the third day of November A.D. 1896, the votes for a Representative to the General Court for District No. 7, Norfolk, were given for the following named persons, viz. :

Henry A. Belcher of Randolph	. . .	1,026
John K. Willard of Randolph	. . .	717
Blanks . . . . .	. . . . .	113
Total . . . . .	. . . . .	<hr/>1,856

MORTIMER D. RICHARDSON,
Town Clerk of Avon.

GEORGE T. WILDE,
Town Clerk of Holbrook.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,
Town Clerk of Randolph.

APPOINTMENTS RECORDED BY TOWN CLERK.

Special Police (without pay) :

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| * Frank W. Harris. | * Edgar B. Makepeace. |
| * Thomas J. Kiernan. | * John P. Dillon. |
| * E. Lawrence Payne. | * George E. Easton. |
| * Thomas B. Jones. | * Walter H. Lyons. |

Special Police (with pay) : * Michael F. Sullivan.

Field Driver : * Adoniram A. Payne.

Superintendent of Almshouse : George R. Weaver.

Superintendent of Streets : * James Riley.

Keeper of Lockup : * Colin Boyd.

Inspector of Animals, etc. : * Augustus L. Chase.

Scaler of Weights and Measures : * Dexter T. Clark.

Fire Engineers : Charles A. Wales.

W. A. Croak.

Cornelius Desmond.

D. J. Brennan.

John Haney.

Registrar of Voters : * Otis L. Soule.

Jurors drawn : Grand Jury : Walter H. Lyons.

Traverse Jury : Patrick Cain, George M. French, Daniel Gibbons, Lewis B. Paine, Thomas Fox, John F. Brady.

* Oath of office has been taken.

PAPERS FILED WITH TOWN CLERK, 1896.

Oath of Town Treasurer.

Resignation of Auditor.

Returns of militia.

Oath of Assessors.

Decision, State Board of Arbitration.

List of assessed polls.

Oath of Registrar.

Appointment of railroad police, N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R.

Appointment of Auditors.

Certificate, notification of Representative.

Organization of town committees (2).

Statement of expenses, State election (3).

Certificate, Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph.

Petition and permit, location of poles, American Tel. & Tel. Co.

TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1896.

The number of intentions of marriage, marriages, births and deaths recorded during the year 1896 was as follows :

MONTHS.	Intentions of Marriages.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.
Previous to January, 1896		1	2	3
January		1	5	14
February	2	1	6	9
March		1	7	7
April	2	3	5	5
May	2	1	6	6
June	5	5	6	8
July	2	3	4	6
August	3	2	9	8
September	1		6	6
October	1	1	4	5
November	9	9	7	6
December	2	1	2	4
Totals	29	29	69	87

Whole number of births recorded	69
Males	35
Females	34— 69
Parents, both native born	44
both foreign born	14
one native, one foreign	11— 69
Whole number of deaths	87
Males	41
Females	46— 87
Under 5 years of age	14
Between 5 and 10 years	1
10 and 20 years	4
20 and 30 years	14
30 and 40 years	3
40 and 50 years	7
50 and 60 years	9
60 and 70 years	15
70 and 80 years	13
80 and 90 years	6
Not ascertained	1— 87
Whole number of intentions of marriage	29
Whole number of marriages	29
Couples both American born	24
both foreign born	4
one foreign, one American	1— 29

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1896.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE
1895.			
June 20.	John B. Brennan . .	Randolph	28
	Nellie J. Barry . .	Randolph	26
1896.			
Jan. 31.	Alfred P. Ellmes . .	Rockland	39
	Hattie B. Sturtevant . .	Abington	16
Feb. 16.	John F. Kirby . .	Randolph	28
	Lizzie M. Farquhar . .	Randolph	24
March 8.	Joseph A. Brown . .	Randolph	23
	Louise E. Mann . .	Braintree	19
April 3.	August O. F. Rohlf's . .	Randolph	29
	Clara A. Neumann . .	Cambridge	29
April 15.	George B. Dench . .	Randolph	54
	Eleanor G. Tibbetts . .	Walpole	46
	(Monkton)		
April 18.	Henry G. Burrell . .	Randolph	42
	Emily F. Hunt . .	Randolph	30
May 10.	Seth A. Thayer . .	Randolph	48
	Ida M. Coleman . .	Randolph	26
	(Linfield)		
June 9.	John Carr . .	Randolph	38
	Nellie Gibbons . .	Randolph	39
	(Lynch)		
June 10.	Gilbert Tolman . .	Randolph	36
	Helen M. Mansfield . .	Canton	31
June 16.	J. Willie Lentell . .	Randolph	31
	Blanche L. Smith . .	Randolph	25
June 16.	Thomas F. Patten . .	Randolph	33
	Sarah E. Devine . .	Randolph	32
June 18.	Allen N. Roberts . .	Randolph	30
	Eleanor A. Warne . .	Boston	29

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE
July 1.	Frank S. Gilligan .	Avon	25
	Margaret G. Bracken .	Randolph	24
July 8.	James J. Good . .	Randolph	26
	Annie M. Foley . .	Randolph	25
July 29.	Jeremiah F. Connell .	Franklin	27
	Margaret J. Hickey .	Randolph	25
Aug. 19.	Ernest C. Glover . .	Avon	22
	Clara E. Taylor . .	Randolph	22
Aug. 29.	Walter A. Hollis . .	Randolph	21
	Elizabeth McCormack .	Quincy	19
Oct. 14.	Joseph H. Foster . .	Randolph	27
	Annie M. Reilley . .	Randolph	24
Nov. 9.	Ismael B. Hollis . .	Randolph	22
	Lena Sloan	Randolph	16
Nov. 11.	John E. Harney . . .	Brockton	30
	Alice D. Harty . . .	Randolph	32
Nov. 15.	Wesley G. Shorey . .	Randolph	23
	Mary Murphy	South Boston	22
Nov. 16.	Frederick E. Goodnow .	South Braintree	25
	Mabel A. Mann . . .	Randolph	17
Nov. 19.	Charles B. Howard . .	Fairhaven	42
	Alice M. Buckley . .	Randolph	38
Nov. 25.	John W. Rooney . . .	Randolph	22
	Alice G. Foley . . .	Randolph	22
Nov. 26.	Edward J. O'Brien . .	Randolph	22
	Josephine F. Kennedy .	W. Bridgewater	22
Nov. 26.	Daniel L. Long . . .	Randolph	36
	Catharine F. O'Connell .	Roxbury	32
Nov. 26.	William H. Campbell .	E. Bridgewater	24
	Jennie F. Gogan . . .	Randolph	24
Dec. 28.	Dennis E. McCarthy . .	Holbrook	23
	Annie F. Harris . . .	Randolph	22

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1896.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1895.			
Oct. 21.	Thomas O'Keefe . . .	M.	Bartholomew and Hannah—Ahearn
26.	Evelyn M. Carney . . .	F.	William F. and Kate M.—Mullins
1896.			
Jan. 2.	Henry N. Schultz . . .	M.	Henry T. and Jennie—Roberts
5.	Martin E. Young . . .	M.	Eddie and Maria L.—Corliss
8.	Joseph F. Manning . . .	M.	John and Lizzie M.—Green
10.	Grace F. Foley . . .	F.	James and Mary A.—O'Brien
21.	Ellen Doonan . . .	F.	Charles and Johanna—Welsh
Feb. 5.	John F. Nix . . .	M.	Patrick and Annie—Ballyntyne
7.	Louis C. Schraut . . .	M.	Simon and Annie M.—Byer
7.	— Buchanan . . .	F.	David J. and Julia—Petersen
10.	— Pooler . . .	M.	Joseph E. and Aurelia—Martin
13.	Rosella R. Stetson . . .	F.	Jabez and Carrie—Holbrook
18.	Earle M. French . . .	M.	Herbert F. and Grace L.—Moulton
Mar. 1.	Joseph Mulligan . . .	M.	Luke and Bridget—Harty
2.	Charles R. Hollis . . .	M.	Henry and Hannah—Eddy
16.	Ida M. Lyons . . .	F.	Emory J. and Mary E. L.—Fredericks
24.	Henry Mullins . . .	M.	Timothy and Katie—Foley
24.	Mary A. O'Neil . . .	F.	Bartholomew and Hannah—Mahoney
30.	Elva M. Poole . . .	F.	John H. and Sarah A.—Wentworth
31.	Thomas M. McGrath . . .	M.	Thomas F. and Lizzie M.—Berrio
Apr. 2.	George T. Dolan . . .	M.	Charles S. and Katie B.—Welsh
3.	Rachel McMahon . . .	F.	George H. and Margaret A. Daily
10.	Lornadoone Duly . . .	F.	Henry S. and Marjorie—Robb
13.	Constance French . . .	F.	Asa P. and Elizabeth A.—Wales
13.	Esther Sullivan . . .	F.	Michael F. and Annie—Strickland
May 4.	— Kennedy (premature) . . .		Thomas A. and Mary J.—Gibbons
5.	Dorothy Packard . . .	F.	Lester R. and Ida—Prescott
17.	Rose Doyon . . .	F.	Omer and Mary—Morin
18.	Louis E. Marcellie . . .	M.	John C. and Winifred A.—Hughes
20.	Dora D. Austin . . .	F.	Ulysses and Mary—Fogg
30.	Marshall W. Leavitt . . .	M.	William H. and Jennie F.—White
June 6.	Estella A. Jordan . . .	F.	Preston Z. and Ily—Herly
6.	Arthur W. Shepard . . .	M.	Peter F. and Ellen F.—Sweeney
10.	Lawrence M. White . . .	M.	George and Eva M.—Marland
21.	— Pickett (dead) . . .		Fred and Gabrella—Petersen
25.	Edward A. Cloutie . . .	M.	Omer and Pictarior—Martelle
26.	Edward P. Tirrell . . .	M.	William G. and Hattie M.—Presby
July 19.	Eldon T. Alden . . .	M.	Frank D. and Nellie L.—Thompson

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July 22.	Harold H. Eddy . . .	M.	George H. and Carrie—Holbrook
27.	— Burrell . . .	F.	Henry G. and Emily F.—Hunt
29.	Arthur McCue . . .	M.	Daniel E. and Ellen—Cunningham
Aug. 2.	Nina L. Elliott . . .	F.	George and Sibyl—DeCosta
5.	Doris M. Perkins . . .	F.	Thomas H. and Jennie M.—Otis
7.	Francis Heney . . .	M.	William and Margaret—Dwyer
9.	Mary Meaney . . .	F.	Richard and Nellie—Grady
14.	Margaret M. Briggs . . .	F.	Louis O. and Bertena—Walsh
23.	Roger L. Niles . . .	M.	Herbert and Linda M.—Brown
25.	Muriel T. Bailey . . .	F.	George W. and Nettie A.—Taylor
27.	William H. Carroll . . .	M.	William H. and Mary A.—O'Connor.
29.	Ralph A. Larson . . .	M.	Peter and Marion—Truelson.
Sept. 17.	Dorothy Dee . . .	F.	Thomas J. and Elizabeth—Simms
13.	— Pooler . . .	F.	Joseph and Minnie—Pooler
18.	Ralph D. Nourse . . .	M.	Volney and Josephine—Clarke
19.	Helen M. Brady . . .	F.	Andrew J. and Mary E.—Fox
20.	— Holyoke (dead) . . .	M.	John and Avis A.—Ruggles
27.	Gionnai Q. Bacigalupo . . .	M.	Gaetano and Jennie—Church
Oct. 10.	Annie Lyons . . .	F.	Timothy and Abby—Hamilton
11.	Kathleen Donovan . . .	F.	Joseph and Catharine—Gibbons
21.	Rose A. O'Neil . . .	F.	James J. and Mary—Woodfine
24.	— McAuliffe . . .	M.	Richard J. and Catharine—Dempsey
Nov. 16.	Grace Brennan . . .	F.	Daniel J. and Bridget M.—Rooney
17.	Peter Collins . . .	M.	Michael and Catharine—Donegan
19.	— Wentworth . . .	F.	Frank and Henrietta—Ela
27.	— Payne . . .	M.	William H. and Jennie E.—Burrell
27.	Grace E. Mann . . .	F.	Julius E. and Minnie R.—Abbott
27.	Alton J. Bradley . . .	M.	Abby Bradley (Drury)
30.	Fabian E. Hogan . . .	M.	William J. and Helen C.—Allard
Dec. 7.	Mary Hagney . . .	F.	Arthur and Mary E.—Kiley
9.	John M. McNeill . . .	M.	John B. and Mary E.—McGaughey.

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN THE YEAR 1896.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
1895.						
Jan. 1.	Mary Gaynor . . .	71			Heart Disease . .	Ireland
Dec. 6.	William A. English .	76	8	5	Nephritis . . .	Randolph, Vt.
					Fatty degeneration of the heart.	Providence, R.I.
31.	Jeremiah Bump . . .	69	1	16		
1896.						
Jan. 3.	Elizabeth D. Kennedy,	87	1	24	Chronic bronchitis	Litchfield, Me.
5.	Emma E. Foster . . .		2	12	Marasmus . . .	Randolph
8.	Philip Sullivan . . .	75	9	8	Senility . . .	Ireland
9.	Alice May Hurd . . .		1	6	Double pneumonia	Clinton, Mass.
9.	Mabel Panting . . .		5	25	Marasmus . . .	Randolph
13.	George E. Wilkins . .	29	6	13	Pul. tuberculosis	Randolph
13.	Elizabeth A. Carroll .	26			Phthisis pulmonalis	Randolph
15.	Catharine M. Conley .	47	6		Cerebral Hemorrhage .	Boston
15.	Mary E. Edwards . . .	24	9	21	Phthisis . . .	Weymouth.
21.	Ellen Doonan . . .			1	Infantile . . .	Randolph
23.	Edward E. Howard . .	57		24	Bright's disease . .	Randolph
24.	Michael Mackedon . .	50			Double pneumonia . .	New York
31.	Theresa A. Sheridan . .	29	7	2	Sarcoma of thigh,	Randolph
31.	John F. Carey . . .	55			Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
Feb. 1.	T. Jefferson Strickland,	39			Heart disease . . .	Randolph
6.	Thaddeus T. Cushman,	74	7	11	Chronic nephritis . .	Sumner, Me.
8.	Lydia C. Sloan . . .	48		26	Locomotor ataxia . .	Randolph
9.	Samuel W. Willard . .	73	5	18	Senile gangrene . .	Winchester, N.H.
13.	Annie E. Chamberlin .	71	6		Paralytic shock . .	Walpole
21.	Jedediah French . . .	80		10	Old age, heart disease .	Randolph
22.	Ann Sullivan . . .	55	6		Abdominal tumor,	Ireland
22.	Charles A. Roel . . .	49	11	19	Heart disease . . .	Randolph
24.	John W. Sullivan . . .	2	2	1	Diphtheretic croup . .	Boston
Mar. 14.	Caroline T. Smith . . .	74	5	29	Heart disease . . .	Brookline
14.	Horace P. Mann . . .	61	9	7	Bright's disease . .	Randolph
16.	Margaret Riley . . .	64			Pulmonary abscess . .	Ireland
21.	Mary Good . . .	76			Cerebral hemorrhage . .	Ireland
21.	Mary E. Foley . . .	59			Chronic hepatitis . .	Ireland
27.	Annie Veazie . . .	44	6	19	Typhoid fever . . .	Randolph
29.	Gustavus R. Danforth .	27			Uremic convulsions . .	Old Town, Me.
April 5.	Mary F. Curran . . .	38	9	1	Morbus Cordis . . .	Randolph
13.	Estelle V. Faunce . .	24		19	Phthisis . . .	Randolph
13.	John Daly . . .	63	1	10	Concus-ion of the brain	Ireland
27.	Joseph A. Fritts . . .	69			Locomotor ataxia . .	Boston
30.	Ellen L. Clark . . .	83			Senility . . .	Ireland
May 4.	William Walsh . . .	43			Heart disease . . .	Randolph

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
1896.						
May 15.	Royal T. King . . .	61	10	29	Cancer . . .	Randolph
18.	John J. Brady . . .	29	1		Phthisis pulmonalis . .	Randolph
20.	Louis M. Hagney . . .	5	10	20	Septic infection . . .	Randolph
22.	Ida S. Winnett . . .	49	3	10	Consumption of blood . .	Newburyport
28.	Sarah J. French . . .	53	6	11	Cancer of liver . . .	Albion, N.Y.
June 1.	Hiram C. Alden . . .	69	10	11	Diabetes . . .	Randolph
2.	Ida A. Packard . . .	25	6	3	Puerperal fever . . .	Randolph
4.	Thomas Dolan . . .	68			Cerebral hemorrhage . .	Ireland
8.	Mary Meighan . . .	77			Senility . . .	Ireland
19.	Rose E. Sheridan . . .	24	2	29	Phthisis pulmonalis . .	Randolph
21.	Rebecca Lyons . . .	81	9	24	Old age . . .	Braintree
21.	Joseph F. Boyle . . .	25			Accidental drowning . .	Randolph
21.	— Pickett . . .				Stillborn . . .	Randolph
July 2.	Silas Binney . . .	63	2	22	Heart disease . . .	Randolph
15.	Elizabeth S. Holmes . .	57	9	13	Ulceration of stomach . .	Liverpool, N.S.
18.	Edith F. Whalin . . .	22	6	8	Consumption . . .	Randolph
20.	Henry W. Devine . . .		7	3	Cerebral inflammation . .	Randolph
23.	Wilford M. Sloan . . .		6	5	Dysentery . . .	Brockton
30.	Dwight F. Thayer . . .	19	9	14	Tuberculosis . . .	Whitman
Aug. 5.	Dennis Shea . . .	68			Morbus cordis . . .	Ireland
5.	Marion Carney . . .		10		Cerebro-spinal meningi- tis . . .	Randolph
5.	Thomas M. McGrath . . .		5	4	Cholera infantum . . .	Randolph
9.	Emery A. Alden . . .	41	10	26	Consumption . . .	Randolph
16.	J. Walter Henry . . .	82			Paralytic shock . . .	Ireland
24.	William H. H. Cowles . .	68	3	14	Cerebral hemorrhage . .	Claremont, N.H.
24.	Mary A. Hayden . . .	67	3	14	Cerebral hemorrhage . .	Bridgewater
28.	Percy M. Blanchard . . .	19	1	7	Phthisis pulmonalis . .	Fall River
Sept. 9.	Marie Hand . . .		8	12	Cerebral congestion . .	Randolph
10.	Lillian F. Brown . . .	38	2	8	Acute mania . . .	Boston
20.	Mary C. Murray . . .	4	3	5	Appendicitis . . .	Randolph
21.	Harry Holyoke . . .		3		Convulsions . . .	Randolph
25.	Abby M. Roel . . .	71	9	1	Consumption . . .	Randolph, Vt.
27.	Sally Wales . . .	75	7	15	Senile gangrene . . .	Randolph
Oct. 7.	William Savery . . .	79	5	10	Abdominal tumor . . .	Rochester
19.	Cyrus N. Thayer . . .	61	1	10	Pleurisy with effusion . .	Randolph
26.	H. Howard Alden . . .	27	11	1	Consumption . . .	Randolph
30.	Augusta Thayer . . .	65		12	Chronic mania . . .	Randolph
31.	Patrick Barry . . .				Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
Nov. 1.	Mary E. Stickney . . .	23	7	8	Phthisis pulmonalis . .	Randolph
8.	Patrick Kinnier . . .	52			Disease of liver . . .	Ireland
15.	Mary J. Harty . . .	68			Inanition . . .	Ireland
16.	Catharine C. Riley . . .	18	9	24	Consumption . . .	Georgetown
24.	Thomas W. Lynch . . .	28	8	13	Cerebral inflammation . .	Randolph
25.	Margaret Hurley . . .	80			Senility . . .	Ireland
Dec. 3.	Annie Riley . . .	17	10		Consumption . . .	Randolph
7.	Nina L. Elliott . . .		4	4	Marasmus . . .	Randolph
19.	H. Maria Mann . . .	54	11	26	Carcinoma . . .	Randolph
23.	Lucy A. Wilbur . . .	79	3	5	Heart disease and old age	Randolph

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Bronchitis, diabetes, infantile, sarcoma, diphtheretic croup, pulmonary abscess, hepatitis, typhoid fever, concussion of brain, septic infection, puerperal fever, drowning, stillborn, dysentery, ulcer of stomach, appendicitis, cerebro-spinal meningitis, pleurisy, cholera infantum, cerebral congestion, disease of liver, inanition, one each.

Nephritis, paralytic shock, senile gangrene, tuberculosis, Bright's disease, double pneumonia, convulsions, locomotor ataxia, tumor, mania, cerebral inflammation, pneumonia, two each.

Marasmus, cancer, three each.

Senility, cerebral hemorrhage, five each.

Phthisis, consumption, seven each.

Heart disease, eleven.

Total, 87.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday the first day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles namely:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to vote "yes" or "no" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in rela-

tion to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of "firemen's graves" under the direction of the "Veteran Firemen's Association," as petitioned for by Henry F. Rooney and others.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law, to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate to the payment of interest on the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 14. To see what action the town will take in relation to lighting the streets by electricity, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 15. To see what action the town will take in relation to placing additional lights on West Street, as petitioned for by Clarence Hagar and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 as amended, and to unite with the town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns in the discretion of the School Committee, to employ a superintendent of schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 17. To see if the town will appoint a committee of ten to inquire into the present needs of the town with refer-

ence to school building accommodations, and to report thereon within four months from the date of their appointment.

Article 18. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to fix the boundaries on the south side of Short Street, and remove all obstructions, as petitioned for by John B. Wren and others.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from its present terminus on Canton Street to the residence of Lemuel Capen, as petitioned for by Thomas B. Jones and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from the junction of Canton Street at Old Street, through Old Street to North Main Street, as petitioned for by John Finley and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Superintendent of Streets to build a sidewalk on the easterly side of Fowler Street, as petitioned for by James F. Sullivan and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 22. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 23. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable for the town.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer bond for the year 1897-1898, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 25. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 26. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist Churches, also the clock in Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 28. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 30. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same in any way relates to the water supply.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1887, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest, at the rate of six per centum per

annum, on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October, 10, 1897.

Article 34. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to place electric lights on High Street from Vine to Chestnut Street, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 36. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on Allen Street near the residence of Luther Rowe, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 37. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof, at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this fifteenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest: M. F. SULLIVAN, *Constable.*

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1897-98.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

JOHN K. WILLARD.

PETER B. HAND.

M. WALES BAKER.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY Term expires 1898.

ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1899.

ROYAL T. MANN Term expires 1900.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

THOMAS A. KENNEDY Term expires 1898.

ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1899.

ROYAL T. MANN Term expires 1900.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

PETER B. HAND Term expires 1898.

CHARLES A. WALES Term expires 1899.

DANIEL B. WHITE Term expires 1900.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

REDMOND P. BARRETT.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT.

LINCOLN STETSON.

FRANK J. DONAHOE.

THOMAS FARRELL.

JAMES E. BLANCHE.

JOSEPH H. FOSTER.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

CHARLES D. BAKER.

HERMAN F. MCINTIRE.

ARTHUR H. HOLBROOK.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY.

HERBERT W. PRATT.

OTIS L. SOULE.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*.

WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*.

JAMES E. BLANCHE. DANIEL J. BRENNAN. CORNELIUS DESMOND.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

KEEPERS OF LOCKUP.

COLIN BOYD.

ARTHUR W. ALDEN.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT.

HENRY A. BELCHER, of Randolph.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1897.

Rate of taxation May 1, 1897, \$21.00 on \$1,000.

VALUATION.

	1896.	1897.	
Real estate, \$1,606,600	\$1,616,550	\$9,950	Increase
Personal estate, 277,100	266,750	10,350	Decrease
	<u>\$1,883,700</u>	<u>\$1,883,300</u>	<u>\$400</u> Decrease

The decrease in the valuation is due to the loss of personal estate, caused by the discontinuance of business, the division of estates, and investments made in non-taxable property.

Town appropriations	.	.	.	.	\$43,915 00
State tax	.	.	.	.	1,645 00
County tax	.	.	.	.	2,305 71
Amount of appropriations	.	.	.	.	<u>\$47,865 71</u>
Number of polls, 1,195; tax				\$2,390 00	
Estimated bank and corporation tax,				6,158 00	
				<u>8,548 00</u>	
Amount to be raised by tax on property	<u>\$39,317 71</u>

Tax on :

Real estate . . .	(\$1,616,550 00)	\$33,947 55
Personal estate . .	(\$266,750 00)	5,601 75
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	\$1,883,300 00	\$39,549 30
Amount to be raised . . .		39,317 71
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Overlay		\$239 59

Warrant :

State tax	\$1,645 00
County tax	2,305 71
Town tax and overlay	37,988 59
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	\$41,939 30

Population, census of 1895	3,694
Number of horses May 1, 1898	348
cows May 1, 1898	190
acres of land	5,749
dwellings	843

The causes of the increased tax rate will appear from the following statement :

Amount raised by tax on property :

1896.	1897.	Increase.
\$37,177 10	\$39,317 71	\$2,140 61
Increase in town appropriations		\$474 00
in County tax		618 61
caused by shrinkage of Bank and Cor- poration taxes		1,048 00
		<hr/>
		\$2,140 61

APPROPRIATIONS.

For schools	\$10,155 24
Stetson High School	2,316 69
highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	1,000 00
miscellaneous	1,800 00
poor in almshouse	1,500 00
poor out of almshouse	3,600 00
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	800 00
soldiers' relief	300 00
military aid	200 00
Board of Health	150 00
lockup expense	200 00
painting almshouse	150 00
town officers	2,400 00
interest on town debt	2,700 00
Fire Department	3,200 00
G.A.R., decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
sinking fund, water loan	3,000 00
interest on water loan	1,000 00
water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
electric lighting	3,430 00
widening Short Street	50 00
sidewalk, Allen Street	150 00
sidewalk, Fowler Street	175 00
premium on bond of Town Treasurer	120 00
pay of physicians	300 00
care of clocks	50 00
County tax	2,305 71
State tax	1,645 00

 \$48,797 64

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1897.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town house and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	8,000 00
Three engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One Babcock engine and apparatus	500 00
One hearse	50 00
Ten acres salt marsh	300 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,700 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Turner school fund	1,500 00
Stetson school fund, par value	11,900 00
Turner Free Library, building and land	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Water Works	165,000 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,000 00
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	\$316,750 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$56,640.56 :

On account of schools	\$11,424 23
Stetson High School	2,316 69
poor out of almshouse	3,884 95

On account of poor of Randolph and Holbrook .	\$689 32
poor in almshouse	2,327 65
soldiers' relief	299 40
poor of other towns	372 39
State paupers	17 20
lockup and tramps	258 46
wood suit, Brockton v. Randolph .	18 28
military aid	624 00
State aid	2,624 50
painting almshouse	111 94
Board of Health	86 70
burial indigent soldiers	70 00
Dr. D. F. Kinnier and Town of	
Randolph	81 00
special police	426 00
street lighting	3,303 36
highways	3,963 20
Short Street widening	92 69
Allen Street sidewalk	227 75
Fowler Street sidewalk	174 42
paving	520 08
removing snow	1,129 74
miscellaneous	1,821 73
decoration soldiers' graves	100 00
Town of Holbrook, stone-bound .	6 17
care of clocks	50 00
Fire Department	3,191 77
town officers	2,512 00
Water Commissioners	6,000 00
interest	3,233 69
insurance, Treasurer's bond	120 00
County tax	2,305 71
State tax	1,645 00
liquor license	25

On account of abatements, 1894 and 1895 . . .	\$331 29
pay of physicians	279 00
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	\$56,640 56

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures*
For schools	\$10,155 24	\$11,424 23
Stetson High School	2,316 69	2,316 69
Poor out of almshouse	3,600 00	3,884 95
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook,	800 00	689 32
Poor in almshouse	1,500 00	2,327 65
Soldiers' relief	300 00	299 40
Poor of other towns		372 39
State paupers		17 20
Lockup and tramps	200 00	258 46
Miscellaneous expenses	1,800 00	1,821 73
Fire Department	3,200 00	3,191 77
State aid		2,624 50
Military aid	200 00	624 00
Electric lighting	3,430 00	3,303 36
Highways	3,500 00	3,963 20
Short Street widening	50 00	92 69
Allen Street sidewalk	150 00	227 75
Fowler Street sidewalk	175 00	174 42
Paving	500 00	520 08
Removing snow	1,000 00	1,129 74
Water Commissioners, for hy- drants	2,000 00	2,000 00
Water Commissioners, for in- terest	1,000 00	1,000 00
Water Commissioners, for sink- ing fund	3,000 00	3,000 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Town officers	2,400 00	2,512 00

For Interest on town debt . . .	\$2,700 00	\$3,233 69
Insurance, Treasurer's bond . . .	120 00	120 00
Burial of soldier		70 00
Board of Health	150 00	86 70
Pay of physicians	300 00	279 00
Care of clocks	50 00	50 00
Special police		426 00
Abatement of taxes, 1894 . . .		194 24
Abatement of taxes, 1895 . . .		137 05
Painting almshouse	150 00	111 94
Dr. D. F. Kinnier and town of Randolph (1896)		81 00
Wood suit, Brockton <i>v.</i> Randolph,		18 28
Town of Holbrook, stone-bound,		6 17
State, on account of liquor license,		25
County tax	2,305 71	2,305 71
State tax	1,645 00	1,645 00
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	\$48,797 64	\$56,640 56

Total amount of expenditures . . . \$56,640 56

Total amount of appropriations and estimated
income 48,797 64

Amount overdrawn \$7,842 92

Overdrawn on account of:

Schools	\$1,268 99
Poor out of almshouse	284 95
Poor in almshouse	827 65
Poor of other towns	372 39
State paupers	17 20
Lockup and tramps	58 46
Miscellaneous	21 73
State aid	2,624 50

Military aid	\$424 00	
Highways	463 20	
Short Street widening	42 69	
Allen Street sidewalk	77 75	
Paving	20 08	
Removing snow	129 74	
Town officers	112 00	
Interest on town debt	533 69	
Burial of soldier	70 00	
Special police	426 00	
Abatement of taxes, 1894	194 24	
Abatement of taxes, 1895	137 05	
Suit of Dr. D. F. Kinnier (1896)	81 00	
Suit of Brockton <i>v.</i> Randolph	18 28	
Town of Holbrook, stone-bound	6 17	
Liquor license	25	
	<hr/>	\$8,212 01
Unexpended on account of:		
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	\$110 68	
Soldiers' relief	60	
Fire department	8 23	
Electric lighting	126 64	
Fowler Street sidewalk	58	
Board of Health	63 30	
Pay of physicians	21 00	
Painting almshouse	38 06	
	<hr/>	369 09
Amount overdrawn		\$7,842 92
To be refunded on account of:		
State aid by State	\$2,624 50	
Military aid by State	312 00	
Military aid by Holbrook	64 00	
State paupers by State	17 20	

Burial of soldier by State . . .	\$70 00	
Poor in almshouse . . .	619 33	
Poor out of almshouse . . .	397 15	
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook . .	223 11	
Poor of other towns . . .	372 39	
Town of Holbrook, stone-bound . .	6 17	
Pay of physicians . . .	19 50	
	<hr/>	\$4,725 35
Net amount overdrawn . . .		<hr/> \$3,117 57

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Selectmen :

I received notice of my appointment as Superintendent of Streets by your Board on March 17, 1897, and on March 22, under my direction, the work of repairing the highways began with the scraping of the streets and cleaning of the gutters preparatory to the putting on of gravel, with the idea of surfacing as early in the season as possible, that the gravel used for that purpose might become embedded, and leave the highways in the best condition possible when most used for travel.

The work upon the highways in the Spring was finished about May 15; 1540 loads of screened gravel were used in surfacing the streets and sidewalks. After consultation with you, a steam roller was used on a portion of Main Street for surfacing, and, while in the nature of an experiment, the result fully warranted the expense incurred.

Were the town the owner of a steam roller, so that the expense would be but the cost of fuel and operating, it would make a direct saving in the repairs of the highways, and with much better results.

The heavy rains that prevailed in this vicinity during the latter part of July and early in the month of August, caused great damage to the highways, and made necessary additional repairs and expenditures that could not have been anticipated, causing the amount expended to exceed the appropriation.

The material that can be obtained for the surfacing of the streets is of poor quality, and located at such distances from where it is required,—making long hauls,—that the results cannot be what they would be under different conditions; and I believe the town should take some action that will result in the repairs of the highways being made according to more advanced methods.

The paving was carried on in connection with the ordinary highway repairs; 250 square yards of paving were laid, catch-basins were constructed, and gratings placed at different points where the culverts were liable to become obstructed, causing overflow of water on the streets.

The expense of building sidewalk on Allen Street exceeded the appropriation, as a discontinuance of the work when the appropriation had been expended would have left the street in an unsafe and dangerous condition.

The widening of a portion of Short Street has made a decided improvement in the street, and is slightly in excess of the appropriation.

The sidewalk on Fowler Street was built and the street improved by change of grade made in connection with building the sidewalk and within the appropriation.

With about thirty miles of streets to be kept in repair, the result from the money expended, as shown by the condition of the highways and as compared with streets of adjacent towns, is favorable.

My work as Superintendent of Streets has been made agreeable and greatly aided by the co-operation of the Select-

men, and the willing manner in which you have seconded my efforts.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

Paid Francis E. Stetson and team, labor	\$40 52
William Mahady and team, labor	29 71
James Riley and team, labor	200 98
Town teams, labor	234 74
S. B. Woodman, labor	185 42
Thomas Buckley, labor	65 98
Joseph Donavan, labor	192 03
Thomas Duff, labor	75 56
John McGrane, labor	65 20
William C. Barry, labor	61 74
William Brennan, labor	44 43
John Dunn, labor	75 82
Thomas Whalen, labor	118 82
George B. Dench, labor	200 31
George M. Johnson, labor	152 49
George F. Howard, labor	29 31
George H. Nichols, labor	67 86
A. J. Towns, team labor	127 52
Edwin A. Tabor and team, labor	13 22
Robert McAuliffe and team, labor	22 08
Chandler Cox, labor	30 42
John P. Rooney, labor	151 94
Walter Robinson, labor	41 08
John Curran, labor	85 30
William Gill, labor	48 41
James O'Brien, labor	43 53
John Sheehan, labor	40 31
George F. French, labor	21 86
C. D. Hill, supplies	2 41
Mary Smith, gravel	94 17

Paid Seth Mann, 2d, gravel	\$6 75
Thomas Powderly, gravel	37 00
James Swindells, gravel	7 60
Edwin Tabor, gravel	6 32
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	53 99
Hiram Snow, labor	43 84
John F. Carroll and team, labor . .	32 91
Joshua Hunt, labor	14 00
Town of Braintree, use of steam roller .	95 75
S. A. Thayer, fuel of steam roller . .	5 00
D. B. White, fuel of steam roller . .	11 30
For meals of engineer of steam roller .	1 75
William Hill, labor	6 00
Joseph Riley, labor	17 30
Thomas Barry, labor	5 00
Joseph Graham, material and labor . .	1 10
For drain pipe	18 95
C. H. Belcher, supplies	75
M. M. Alden, material and labor . .	4 55
A. J. Gove, expressing	7 37
F. W. Alden, stone posts	1 00
F. H. Langley, labor and materials . .	22 68
James Lyons, labor	1 32
Elmer Erskine, labor	20 07
Manus Gallagher, labor	33 78
Charles Doonan, team labor	20 61
Charles Cole, team labor	28 00
A. J. Gove, team labor	25 28
James Googan, team labor	40 45
James Barry, 2d, labor	59 85
Michael Good, labor	14 08
William Sheppard, labor	33 07
James Riley, 2d, labor	25 86
Thomas Curran, labor	12 08

Paid Lewis Jones, labor	.	.	.	.	\$23 76
B. O'Mahoney, labor	.	.	.	.	13 21
M. E. Leahy, team labor	.	.	.	.	21 00
Emory Lyons, labor	.	.	.	.	16 88
James Hoye, labor	.	.	.	.	20 33
William Good, team labor	.	.	.	.	26 06
James B. Clark, labor	.	.	.	.	3 53
John Walsh, labor	.	.	.	.	10 88
John Harris, labor	.	.	.	.	12 00
James Slowey, labor	.	.	.	.	67 96
John Desmond, labor	.	.	.	.	12 00
Edward Devine, team labor	.	.	.	.	22 36
M. Collins, team labor	.	.	.	.	31 50
Timothy Curran, labor	.	.	.	.	10 00
Richard Keith, labor	.	.	.	.	10 00
Dominick Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	10 00
John McDonald, labor	.	.	.	.	10 00
Robert Hamilton, labor	.	.	.	.	10 00
Peter Sloan, labor	.	.	.	.	30 86
Michael Lagan, labor	.	.	.	.	19 32
George Foster, labor	.	.	.	.	16 99
M. Devine, team labor	.	.	.	.	20 62
Thomas Devine, team labor	.	.	.	.	21 18
M. E. Scanlan, team labor	.	.	.	.	8 94
John Wilkinson, labor	.	.	.	.	13 21
Patrick Mannix, labor	.	.	.	.	12 55
Michael Sheridan, labor	.	.	.	.	13 10
Hugh Hickey, labor	.	.	.	.	13 21
Michael Ford, labor	.	.	.	.	13 21
William Dore, labor	.	.	.	.	13 21
Michael Crowley, labor	.	.	.	.	9 98
Philip Pierce, labor	.	.	.	.	11 43
Getano Bacigalupo, labor	.	.	.	.	16 07
Adam Jones, labor	.	.	.	.	12 99

Paid E. M. Mann	\$1 75
Thomas Donahoe, labor	12 99
Soriana Jones, labor	2 66
Water Commissioners, for pipe	7 18
John Lyons, labor	24 47
H. B. Libby, materials and labor	11 21
Stillman Orcutt, labor	4 00
Peter M. Gibson, team labor	13 62
Dexter T. Clark, survey	3 75
James Fardy, material and labor	6 50
John A. Sylvester, labor	12 00
John T. Manning, labor	4 88
For gravel	32
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	\$3,963 20
Credit, by scrapings sold	14 00
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	\$3,949 20
Appropriation, \$3,500 00	
Overdrawn, 449 20	

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid James Carroll and others	\$221 31
William Mahady and others	117 03
Joseph Donavan and others	160 27
Francis E. Stetson and others	165 73
M. E. Leahy and others	18 67
James Riley and others	271 87
By the Selectmen	148 36
J. McMahon and others	3 50
August Rholfs	1 25
Nicholas Moore	1 00
Richard Irving	5 00
J. Hunt	1 00

Paid W. D. Hatchfield	\$8 00
James Keenan	6 25
Thomas Donahoe	50
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	\$1,129 74

Appropriation, \$1,000 00

Overdrawn, 129 74

PAVING.

Paid S. B. Woodman, materials and labor	\$30 16
George H. Nichols, labor	10 00
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	2 00
Edwin A. Tabor, team labor	20 61
Charles H. Cole, team labor	3 50
A. J. Gove	2 72
Albert Perry, labor	13 98
William Brennan, labor	8 00
John McGrane, labor	6 00
Thomas Duff, labor	32 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	2 00
Joseph Donavan, labor	2 00
M. E. Leahy, team labor	11 85
James Robinson, labor	11 89
Thomas Allen, brick	4 80
Waldo Brothers, gratings	54 00
Fulton Iron Works, gratings	12 27
James Slowey, labor	5 55
John Martin, labor	40 64
E. W. Campagna, material, labor	9 00
James Devine, team labor	26 45
Frank Mann, team labor	26 45
William Gill, labor	24 00
James J. Hoye, labor	2 00
John Harris, labor	9 32

Paid John Sheehan, labor	\$6 00
John Sheehan, Jr., labor	9 78
John Walsh, labor	2 66
Patrick Nicholton, labor	3 99
Town teams, labor	82
George B. Dench, labor	66
William Woodman, labor	7 34
Lewis Jones, labor	2 00
George F. Howard, labor	3 10
Manus Gallagher, labor	1 10
F. B. Curran, stone	9 75
Michael Collins, team labor	10 50
Frank Curran, labor	4 50
M. E. Scanlan, sand	15 30
Waldo Brothers, drain pipe	15 30
C. A. Wales, drain pipe	18 00
Water Commissioners, iron pipe	32 56
F. H. Langley, materials and labor	5 53
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	\$520 08

Appropriation, \$500 00

Overdrawn, 20 08

SIDEWALK, ALLEN STREET.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, survey	\$3 75
John Manning, labor	22 44
William Gill, labor	24 44
James Riley, team labor	59 11
George H. Nichols, labor	20 44
Joseph Riley, labor	24 44
George B. Dench, labor	9 32
Thomas Whalin, labor	9 32
Joseph Donovan, labor	9 32
Town teams, labor	14 50

Paid J. B. Rhines, lumber	\$6 48
W. A. Croak, labor	3 00
S. B. Woodman, labor	70
James Fardy, material and labor . .	17 09
Columbus Holbrook, gravel	1 40
Jeremiah McCarty, damage	2 00
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	\$227 75

Appropriation, \$150 00

Overdrawn, 77 75

SHORT STREET WIDENING.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, survey	\$3 25
John T. Manning, labor	16 00
Thomas Buckley, labor	11 56
George M. Johnson, labor	9 10
Thomas Whalin, labor	11 56
John Sheehan, labor	7 56
Joseph Donavan, labor	6 44
Town teams, labor	8 96
For cement	1 00
H. B. Libby, materials and labor . .	17 26
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	\$92 69
Credit, by loan sold	12 27
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	\$80 42

Appropriation, \$50 00

Overdrawn, 30 42

SIDEWALK, FOWLER STREET.

Paid Dexter T. Clark, survey . .	\$4 25
John F. Manning, labor . .	4 44
John McGrane, labor . .	22 44

Paid William Gill, labor . . .	\$22 66	
George B. Dench, labor . . .	6 00	
Thomas Whalin, labor . . .	22 66	
Town teams, labor . . .	21 50	
William Brennan, labor . . .	23 54	
S. B. Woodman, labor . . .	23 33	
Robert McAuliffe, team labor . . .	3 50	
James Riley, team labor . . .	4 18	
Joseph Riley, labor . . .	1 65	
For iron grating . . .	2 54	
cement	75	
powder	18	
gravel	10 00	
drain pipe	80	
	<hr/>	\$174 42
Appropriation, \$175 00		
Expended, 174 42		
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Unexpended, 58		

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	\$350 80
M. B. Warren, stationery . . .	7 75
Sampson, Murdock & Co., directory . . .	2 00
Fred M. French, insurance . . .	117 00
Fred M. French, teller . . .	5 00
E. L. Burdakin, record of transfers . . .	10 00
Charles Doughty, lamps and lighting . . .	25 29
Asa P. French, professional services . . .	16 00
Frank Harris, police duty . . .	1 75
A. L. Chase, inspector of animals* . . .	100 00
Thomas Fox, teller . . .	5 00
John E. McDonald, teller . . .	10 00
Joseph J. McMahon, teller . . .	5 00

Paid Frank J. Donahoe, election officer . . .	\$11 50
Colin Boyd, janitor and care of hall, Town Meetings	113 73
E. O. Flaherty, ballot clerk	10 00
J. E. Blanche, police duty and carriage hire,	30 00
M. F. Sullivan, police duty	17 50
James E. Sheridan, teller	5 00
Albert H. Holbrook, labor and material	2 50
Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerk	10 00
William A. Croak, ballot clerk	10 00
D. H. Huxford, printing	514 50
James A. Kingsbury, dinners	36 40
Arthur W. Alden, teller	5 00
Arthur W. Alden, janitor	6 66
Franklin W. Hayden, teller	15 00
Fred L. Belcher, teller	10 00
Nelson Mann, teller	10 00
Peter B. Hand, cash paid	6 65
C. H. Belcher, supplies	7 87
Edwin M. Mann, fuel	23 00
William Brennan, labor	7 88
Thomas Groom, Assessors' and Collector's books	10 40
H. C. Diman, stationery	90
A. C. Libby & Sons, stationery	80
Thomas Farrell, police duty	17 50
M. Wales Baker, labor and material	2 95
S. B. Woodman, setting bound	2 18
Post 110, G.A.R. (order of John T. Flood),	20 00
Edmund Cottle, teller	5 00
Dexter T. Clark, surveying	16 00
Nathaniel Noyes, damage to wagon	5 00
E. L. Payne, police duty	7 50
Joseph H. Foster, police duty	7 50

Paid George W. Wales, envelopes and postage	\$16 38
Lincoln Stetson, police duty	7 50
City of Quincy, use of lockup	3 00
W. A. Croak, labor	22
Royal T. Mann, fertilizer	2 00
William D. Hatchfield, labor	25
William W. Hurley, teller	5 00
Timothy Lyons, expressing	26 20
Henry Campbell, painting signs and fountains,	46 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin, teller	5 00
John Walsh, one-half expense stone-bound,	3 00
Fred A. French, stationery	2 85
James Riley, loom	3 00
Edward T. Hand, teller	5 00
E. W. Campagna, labor on polling booths,	5 26
Franklin Porter, stationery	3 95
Greenough & Adams, stationery	3 00
William L. Pulson, labor	6 50
A. J. Gove, expressing and carriage hire .	34 20
Joseph T. Leahy, cash paid	8 90
John K. Willard, cash paid	3 00
Sundry accounts, typewriting, etc. . . .	6 44
John H. Field, teller	10 00
Charles Doughty, electric light, service and rental	10 57
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	\$1,821 73
* Cr. received from State \$50 on account salary of inspector of animals	50 00
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	\$1,771 73

Appropriation, \$1,800 00

Expended, 1,771 73

Unexpended, \$28 27

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. G. Hathaway, M. F. Cunningham, Redmond P. Barrett, Auditors . . .	\$15 00
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TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy	300 00
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SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Paid John K. Willard	400 00
Peter B. Hand	400 00
M. Wales Baker	350 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Asa P. French	125 00
Thomas A. Kennedy	120 00
Royal T. Mann	100 00
M. A. Donavan	17 50

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy	75 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
James Fardy	50 00
Otis L. Soule	50 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1894 .	9 00
Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1895 .	50 00
Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1896 .	80 00
Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1897 .	170 00

ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Charles A. Wales	45 00
Daniel J. Brennan	24 50
William A. Croak	32 00

Paid C. Desmond	\$25 00
John Haney	24 00
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	\$2,512 00

Appropriation, \$2,400 00
Overdrawn, 112 00

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid Michael F. Sullivan	\$110 00
Edwin F. Knight	316 00
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	\$426 00

No appropriation.

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R.,	\$100 00
Appropriation, 100 00	

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty	\$3,303 36
Appropriation, \$3,430 00	
Expended, 3,303 36	
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Unexpended, \$126 64	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of Engi- neers of Fire Department)	\$3,191 77
Appropriation, \$3,200 00	
Expended, 3,191 77	
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Unexpended, \$8 23	

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees	\$2,316 69
Appropriation, \$2,200 00	
Bank tax, 1897, 116 69	

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School Committee)	\$11,424 23
Appropriation, \$9,340 00	
Dog licenses, 469 96	
State school fund, 281 28	
Coddington fund, 64 00	
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	\$10,155 24
Overdrawn, 1,268 99	

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid James Fardy, material and labor	\$3 70
Bernard Moore, bedding destroyed	17 00
Thomas S. Curran, bedding destroyed	6 00
John K. Willard, for services	20 00
Peter B. Hand, for services	20 00
M. Wales Baker, for services	20 00
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	\$86 70
Appropriation, \$150 00	
Expended, 86 70	
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Unexpended, \$63 30	

ABATEMENTS FOR 1894.

Paid Fred M. French	\$194 24
No appropriation.	

ABATEMENTS FOR 1895.

Paid Fred M. French	\$137 05
No appropriation.	

INSURANCE, TREASURER'S BOND.

Paid C. D. Fullerton	\$120 00
Appropriation, \$120 00	

COUNTY TAX.

Paid C. H. Smith, County Treasurer	\$2,305 71
Appropriation, \$2,305 71	

STATE TAX.

Paid E. P. Shaw, State Treasurer	\$1,645 00
Appropriation, \$1,645 00	

LIQUOR LICENSE.

Paid E. P. Shaw, State Treasurer	\$0 25
No appropriation.	

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer	\$3,233 69
Appropriation, \$2,700 00	
Overdrawn,	533 69

CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid First Congregational Church . . .	\$20 00
First Baptist Church . . .	20 00
Colin Boyd, clock in Town Hall . .	10 00
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	\$50 00

Appropriation, \$50 00

DR. D. F. KINNIER *v.* TOWN OF RANDOLPH (1896).

Paid Dr. W. C. B. Fifield Estate . . .	\$75 00
Fred M. French, expenses . . .	6 00
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	\$81 00

No appropriation.

BROCKTON *v.* RANDOLPH (WOOD SUIT).

Paid Thomas Farrell, summoning witnesses .	\$8 28
Witnesses	10 00
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	\$18 28

No appropriation.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Paid Water Commissioners, interest . .	\$1,000 00
Water Commissioners, hydrants, etc. .	2,000 00
Water Commissioners, sinking fund . .	3,000 00
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	\$6,000 00

Appropriation, \$6,000 00

STATE AID (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons	\$2,624 50
To be refunded by the State.	
No appropriation.	

MILITARY AID (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1894).

Paid sundry persons		\$624 00
One-half paid by the State	\$312 00	
By Town of Holbrook	64 00	
By Town of Randolph	248 00	
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Appropriation, \$200 00		
Overdrawn, 48 00		

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1897.

The demand for outside aid has been about the same as in 1896, the net amount expended being somewhat less.

The management of the almshouse and farm has continued under the care and supervision of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Weaver as Superintendent and Matron.

During the year nineteen persons have been supported in the almshouse (in the aggregate $583\frac{6}{7}$ weeks).

In 1896 sixteen persons were supported $506\frac{2}{7}$ weeks.

The amount expended for salary and supplies was \$42.28 more this year than in 1896.

The increase in net expense was largely due to the decrease in the amount refunded for board of inmates.

The inside of the house is in its usual good condition, and during the year the outside has received two coats of paint, all necessary repairing having been previously attended to.

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid George R. Weaver, salary	.	\$500 02
D. S. Brown, material and labor,		2 00
M. M. Alden, material and labor,		3 03
W. A. Smith, supplies	.	62 09
B. C. Tirrell, supplies	.	13 65

Paid George R. Weaver, supplies .	\$35 95
H. M. White & Co., supplies .	160 86
Ginter Produce Co., supplies .	14 88
N. E. Buck, supplies .	167 08
C. D. Hill, supplies .	131 85
C. Prescott & Co., supplies .	104 59
William Crossly, papers .	9 00
S. A. Thayer, coal .	96 02
James Fardy, labor and materials	96 20
Robert McLennan, materials .	11 90
H. A. Belcher, supplies .	49 66
John Wallace, supplies .	34 99
Walter M. Howard, supplies .	49 75
J. McCarty, material and labor,	12 58
F. H. Langley, material and labor,	83 25
H. B. Libby, material and labor,	39 82
P. H. McLaughlin, supplies .	13 93
C. H. Belcher, supplies .	49 49
M. E. Leahy, labor .	2 50
William Mahady, labor .	22 75
Thomas O'Callaghan, carpet .	30 80
George H. Eddy, supplies .	49 12
M. Wales Baker, material and labor,	22 18
M. J. Collins, supplies and labor,	25 50
J. W. Palmer, supplies .	84 35
Joseph Donovan, labor .	17 00
R. J. McAuliffe, supplies .	20 48
Frank A. Long, supplies .	16 25
Lincoln Stetson, exchange of cow,	23 50
Lavin & Co., bedding .	7 50
Royal T. Mann, supplies .	32 65
D. B. White, coal .	118 98
W. L. Pulson, material and labor,	3 32
A. J. Towns, supplies .	28 90

Paid James Burke, material and labor,	\$4 20
James Riley, labor	3 00
H. W. Boyd, dentist	50
F. Cummiskey, burial of	20 00
C. C. Farnham, supplies	4 50
F. Porter, supplies	22 50
A. J. Gove, expressing, etc.	17 60
C. A. Payne, material and labor,	3 05
Smith Brothers, supplies	3 93
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	\$2,327 65

DR.

Stock on hand December 31, 1896 .	\$2,502 85	
Expended for supplies	2,327 65	
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CR.

Stock on hand December 31, 1897 .	\$2,322 65	
Board refunded	194 37	
Labor of town teams	378 66	
Produce sold	46 30	
Depreciation (appraisal of stock) .	273 00	
Net expense	1,615 52	
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PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

	Weeks
Lewis Linfield	52
William A. Doyle	52
Bartholomew Gill	52
Clark Fairbanks	52
Alleta Veazie	52
Lorenzo D. Eddy *	50 $\frac{6}{7}$
Abbie D. Bradley	39 $\frac{3}{7}$

Alton Bradley	39 $\frac{3}{7}$
Lucy Barrows †	21 $\frac{1}{7}$
Annie Barrows †	21 $\frac{1}{7}$
Persis Barrows †	21 $\frac{1}{7}$
Mabel Fairbanks	19 $\frac{3}{7}$
Thomas Ward	14
Timothy Sullivan ‡	13
Emery Holbrook	11 $\frac{6}{7}$
Albert W. Stetson §	8 $\frac{2}{7}$
Mary E. Odiorne || . . . . .	1 $\frac{5}{7}$

* Board refunded, \$54.98.

‡ Board refunded, \$36.00.

† Board refunded, 69.70.

§ Board refunded, 13.44.

|| Board refunded, \$4.25. Board refunded, \$16.00.

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC., DECEMBER 31, 1897.

2 horses	\$150 00
1 cow	60 00
2 hogs	36 00
65 fowls	50 00
9 tons of hay	165 00
1½ tons of rowen	25 00
1 road scraper	75 00
1 two-horse wagon	70 00
1 farm wagon	50 00
1 carriage	15 00
1 swing drag	30 00
1 stone boat	5 00
1 mowing machine	40 00
2 gravel screens	8 00
1 two-horse cart	75 00
2 horse carts	100 00
1 pair double harnesses	30 00

2 cart harnesses	\$30 00
1 carriage harness	10 00
1 two-horse sled	40 00
1 tool chest	5 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	5 00
6 draught chains	12 00
1 carriage jack	2 00
1 grindstone	5 00
Baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
2 plows	12 00
1 harrow	5 00
Forks and shovels	11 00
Iron bars and picks	5 00
1 stone roller	5 00
1 wheelbarrow	3 00
2 axes	1 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 50
2 scythes and snaths	2 00
Hand saw, plane and square	4 00
Iron vise and bit stock, etc.	5 00
25 drills	20 00
2 stone hammers	3 00
2 striking hammers	2 00
35 empty barrels	3 50
10 cords of wood	75 00
10 tons of coal	60 00
Garden vegetables	60 00
1½ barrels of flour	9 00
¼ barrel of crackers	2 00
10 pounds of butter	2 40
10 pounds of lard	75
5 gallons of molasses	2 50
51 gallons vinegar	9 00

75 pounds of sugar	.	.	.	.	.	\$3 75
10 pounds of tea	.	.	.	.	.	2 00
Spices	.	.	.	.	.	1 50
2 pounds of tobacco	.	.	.	.	.	70
Grain and meal	.	.	.	.	.	3 50
10 gallons kerosene	.	.	.	.	.	80
1 kerosene barrel	.	.	.	.	.	75
1 stove	.	.	.	.	.	4 50
1 oil stove	.	.	.	.	.	1 00
2 wood saws and horses	.	.	.	.	.	4 00
2 clocks	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
2 mirrors	.	.	.	.	.	2 00
Crockeryware	.	.	.	.	.	40 00
Sewing machine	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
Ice chest	.	.	.	.	.	35 00
Wooden and tinware	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
Lamps and lantern	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
1 street lamp	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
6 cuspidores	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
1 bushel of beans	.	.	.	.	.	1 25
6 iron bedsteads	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
14 iron bedsteads	.	.	.	.	.	40 00
4 feather beds	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
20 mattresses	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
45 sheets	.	.	.	.	.	20 00
30 blankets	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
30 pillow cases	.	.	.	.	.	7 50
15 white spreads	.	.	.	.	.	12 00
6 comforters	.	.	.	.	.	6 00
26 pillows	.	.	.	.	.	13 00
12 towels	.	.	.	.	.	2 00
3 table cloths	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
4 tables	.	.	.	.	.	4 00
1 walnut table	.	.	.	.	.	3 00

1 extension table	\$8 00
3 large rockers, 2 small rockers	5 00
2 wool carpets	50 00
50 chairs	12 50
6 cane-seat chairs	4 00
6 brooms	1 50
1 churn	2 00
2 coal hods and shovel	2 00
1 fire extinguisher	20 00
150 feet of hose	8 00
5 flat irons	4 00
Soap powder	75
Soap	1 50
1 hospital bed	30 00
8 snow plows	150 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	120 00
1 sleigh	10 00
2 robes	5 00
2 blankets	4 00
1 lawn mower	5 00
Cooking range and boiler	75 00
1 pair of steps and ladder	3 00
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	\$2,322 65

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for James B. Riley	\$104 00
Susanna Buckley	60 00
Mrs. Isaac Holbrook	44 83
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	80 10
John Treanor and wife	73 90
Mrs. C. A. Allen	105 36
Charles F. Howard family	105 00
Mrs. William Carroll and family	106 00

Paid for Rose Campbell and family . . .	\$75 90
Mrs. Julia Ainslie and family . . .	167 40
Mrs. John Leahy	70 40
Thomas Donahoe and family . . .	8 00
William Shields and family . . .	28 29
Mrs. Cornelius O'Keefe and family . .	132 00
Mrs. Margaret Ward, at State Almshouse,	146 00
William F. Wills, at State Farm . .	146 00
John Roche, at State Almshouse . .	14 86
Hannah P. Clark	85 00
Charles E. Linfield	13 05
Mary Morgan	19 15
John L. Burke family	22 80
Emory Lyons and family	19 50
Mrs. Mary A. Chandler	66 00
Mrs. James Butler	22 50
Thomas G. Barry, at Worcester Hospital,	183 00
Alvira Jones	58 11
James Hoyer and family	7 50
Mrs. Mary E. Smith and family . . .	85 25
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Lu- natic Hospital	169 46
Timothy Donahoe, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	157 06
Thomas F. Kiley, at Medfield Insane Asylum	157 06
Mark E. Purcell, at Medfield Insane Asylum	150 76
Emma C. Lincoln, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
William R. Farquhar, at Westborough Insane Hospital	169 48
Arthur Neary	31 00
Mrs. William D. Barrows and daughters,	28 62

Paid for William Heney and family	\$61 12
Mrs. Jedediah French and daughter . .	50 00
Mrs. Robert McAuliffe and family, at Milford	191 60
Aid rendered to sundry persons, to be refunded	125 74
Aid rendered sundry persons, refunded*	397 15
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	\$3,884 95
* Less aid refunded	397 15
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	\$3,487 80

Appropriation, \$3,600 00

Unexpended, 112 20

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Mrs. C. V. Sloan and family . . .	\$23 40
Mrs. Elvira Holbrook	60 00
Hiram Faunce and family	24 00
Mary Mullins	60 00
Mrs. Eliza Cahill	24 30
Thomas F. Hand and family	15 40
Christiana Sloan	68 95
George W. Cook, at Newton	2 85
Thomas Burke, at Georgetown	4 45
Mrs. John E. Mann, at Stoughton	123 00
George F. French	5 60
Lewis Weathee, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Lawrence Leavitt, at Quincy	26 16
Richard Adams	13 75

Paid for Albert Howard, at Brockton	\$48 00
Aid refunded	20 00
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	\$689 32
Less aid refunded	20 00
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	\$669 32

Appropriation, \$800 00

Paid by Holbrook, 223 11

Unexpended, 353 79

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Rufus E. Mann, Canton	\$30 00
James Rowan, Weymouth	42 00
Almira Fowle, Milton	94 68
John Lang, Taunton	52 00
Olive M. Jones, Braintree	60 00
Frank E. Wilder, Boston	14 15
A. R. Fuller, Avon	6 15
Harry H. Young, Petersham	64 91
Mrs. John E. Glover, Quincy	7 25
John F. Moore, Milford	1 25
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	\$372 39

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Mrs. Elizabeth Green	\$78 15
Hugh Currie	15 25
Charles H. Abbott, at Taunton Lunatic Hospital	169 46
Ellen French	36 54
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	\$299 40

Appropriation, \$300 00

Unexpended, 60

BURIAL OF SOLDIER AND SOLDIER'S WIDOW.

Paid for Burial of Eliza Cahill	\$35 00
Burial of Albert W. Stetson	35 00
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	\$70 00
To be refunded by State.	

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid for burial of Frank Charles	\$15 00
C. Walker and wife	1 10
Patrick Cline and wife	1 10
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	\$17 20

LOCKUP.

Paid Colin Boyd, keeper of lockup	\$83 33
Arthur W. Alden, keeper of lockup	16 67
Colin Boyd, supplies	57 72
Arthur W. Alden, supplies	12 34
C. Doughty, electric lighting	20 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	15 12
D. B. White, coal	20 25
William A. Croak, labor	5 58
William L. Allen, painting	15 00
Frank H. Smith, charcoal	3 60
C. A. Wales, material and labor	7 35
M. W. Baker, labor	1 50
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	\$258 46

Appropriation, \$200 00

Overdrawn, 58 46

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE, 1897.

Paid Dr. A. L. Chase	\$50 00
Visits made James B. Riley	3
Mrs. Isaac Holbrook	7
Mrs. Hannah P. Clark	50
Alletta Veazie	2
Mrs. J. L. Burke	4
Mrs. Lucy Barrows	5
Mrs. Mary A. Chandler	5
 Paid Dr. C. C. Farnham	 50 00
Visits made Lorenzo Eddy	8
Bartholomew Gill	8
Thomas Ward	6
Clark Fairbanks	19
Christiana Sloan	8
Albert Stetson	11
F. Cummiskey	8
 Paid Dr. F. C. Granger	 50 00
Visits made Alvira Jones	16
Clark Fairbanks	14
Barrows family	12
Abby D. Bradley	10
 Paid Dr. D. F. Kinnier	 50 00
Visits made Thomas F. Hand	23
Timothy Mullins	24
Mrs. John Leahy	5
Mrs. E. Green	10
 Paid Dr. E. A. Allen	 50 00
Visits made Thomas Donahoe family	57

Paid Dr. W. M. Babbitt	\$29 00
Visits made Charles V. Sloan family	29
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	\$279 00
Appropriation, \$300 00	
Paid by Holbrook, 19 50	
Unexpended, 40 50	

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE
SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE
POOR, FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$378 66
produce sold	46 30
board of sundry persons at almshouse	126 20
aid to sundry persons refunded	290 07
aid refunded, R. and H.	20 00
Braintree (pauper account)	62 75
City of Quincy, use of steamer	120 00
sale of loam, Short Street	12 27
sale of scrapings (highways)	14 00
sale of Braintree records	1 00
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	\$1,071 25

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1898.

For schools (see report of School Committee),	\$9,300 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees),	2,200 00
town officers	2,500 00
miscellaneous	1,800 00
repairs of highways	3,500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	1,500 00
poor in almshouse	1,600 00

For poor out of almshouse	\$3,500 00
soldiers' relief	300 00
poor of Randolph and Holbrook	500 00
military aid	250 00
electric lighting	3,300 00
water works (see report of Water Commissioners).	
interest on town debt (and in addition thereto the interest on taxes and bank deposits),	2,500 00
Fire Department (see report of Engineers),	2,285 00
Treasurer's bond	120 00
pay of physicians	300 00
Board of Health	100 00
lockup and tramps	250 00

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 4, 1898.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

LIST OF JURORS:

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual meeting, March 7, 1898.

Arth, Ernest	Cigar manufacturer.
Batchelder, Harland P.	Retired.
Baker, M. Wales	Tinsmith.
Blanche, James E.	Stable keeper.
Brennan, William	Laborer.
Campion, John P.	Farmer.
Clark, Dexter T.	Surveyer.
Casey, Peter	Laster.
Clark, Hugh	Retired.
Clark, S. Melvin	Agent.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Croak, William A.	Carpenter.
Curran, John	Laborer.
Dennehey, Daniel D.	Cutter.
Devine, Edward J.	Tinware dealer.
Donavan, Michael A.	Mechanic.
English, Nicholas	Shoemaker.
Elliott, George A.	Laster.
French, Fred A.	Fancy goods dealer.
French, Fred M.	Insurance.
Frizzell, William	Retired.
Forrest, Richard	Laster.
Gibbons, William	Retired.
Good, William	Farmer.
Holbrook, Columbus	Shoemaker.
Holbrook, Albert H.	Carpenter.
Jones, Rufus	Farmer.

King, Evander F.	Carpenter.
Leach, John	Shoemaker.
Leahy, Joseph T.	Insurance.
Lewis, Wellington	Farmer.
Long, Frank A.	Boot and shoe dealer.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.
Mann, Lucius H.	Farmer.
Mann, Nelson	Retired.
Macomber, Albert M.	Agent.
Mahady, William	Laborer.
May, John	Retired.
McGaughey, Moses	Shoemaker.
McLaughlin, Patrick H.	Dry goods dealer.
Molloy, James	Retired.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Cigar manufacturer.
Niles, Amasa S.	Retired.
Niles, Isaac	Auctioneer.
O'Connell, Michael J.	Shoemaker.
Palmer, James W.	Grocer.
Poole, Marcus M.	Storekeeper.
Porter, Franklin	Druggist.
Porter, William	Farmer.
Roberts, William R.	Poultry dealer.
Reynolds, George A.	Farmer.
Riley, Thomas	Retired.
Scanlan, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Sheridan, Michael	Retired.
Snow, Hiram	Sole leather cutter.
Stetson, Francis E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Taber, Edwin A.	Farmer.
Tolman, Nathan A.	Retired.
Wales, James H.	Farmer.
Vye, Frederick W.	Watchman.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Agreement made this first day of March A.D. 1897, between Charles Doughty, of Randolph in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereinafter called the party of the first part, and the town of Randolph, aforesaid, hereinafter called the party of the second part.

1. The said party of the first part agrees with the party of the second part that he will furnish to the party of the second part, public street lighting as contemplated by and indicated in the specifications hereto annexed and made a part hereof.

2. That the location of such light poles as are not already erected shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen of said town, provided always that said location is not inconsistent with the terms of said specifications.

3. That he will furnish the party of the second part with public street lighting by electricity, as contemplated by and indicated in said specifications, from the date hereof to the first day of March A.D. 1900.

4. That the lights are to be of the best quality and of the number and candle power indicated in said specifications; that they shall be kept burning from dark until quarter past twelve A.M. on each and every night of the year, and between November first and March first from five and one-half o'clock A.M. until daylight, except on nights when the light of the moon is sufficient to light the streets.

5. That he will furnish said lighting to said party of the second part at the rate of three thousand, three hundred and seventy-nine dollars (\$3,379.00) per annum, and will allow from said sum, to the party of the second part, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for each night that the lights are not

kept burning any portion of the night. The said party of the first part agrees to furnish lights as indicated in the specifications hereto annexed, and also additional lights whenever required, at the following prices, viz. :

Are lights of 2,000 candle power at the rate of \$70.00 per annum each.

Incandescent lights of 75 candle power at the rate of \$37.50 per annum each.

Incandescent lights of 50 candle power at the rate of \$25.00 per annum each.

Incandescent lights of 25 candle power at the rate of \$13.50 each.

6. That he will furnish an electric current for the lighting of Stetson Hall free of charge.

7. The said party of the second part agrees to pay to said party of the first part the sums aforesaid, after deducting the amount agreed upon for nights when the lights are not kept burning any portion of the night, payments to be made on the first Monday of each month, of the amount due by the terms hereof for the calendar month next preceding. The last payment under this contract shall be made on the first Monday of March A.D. 1900, for the month of February preceding.

In witness whereof, the said parties (the party of the second part by its Board of Selectmen, thereto duly authorized by a vote of said town) have hereunto and to another instrument of like tenor and date set their hands and seals on the day and year first above written.

CHARLES DOUGHTY. [SEAL]
TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

by JOHN K. WILLARD,

PETER B. HAND,

M. WALES BAKER,

Selectmen.

[TOWN SEAL]

In presence of

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

SPECIFICATIONS.

LOCATION OF STREET LIGHTS.

STREET.	Arc.	75 c. p.	50 c. p.	25 c. p.
North Main	12			5
South Main	4			15
North	2	1	1	22
Plain			1	1
Mill				3
Cottage				4
Union	1		2	7
South			1	7
Liberty				7
Grove				1
West			2	10
Lafayette			1	8
Cross				3
Warren	1		2	3
Mt. Pleasant Square, Allen and Roel				7
Silver				2
Ward			2	
School and Moulton	1			
Pleasant	1			
Howard			1	
Fowler				2
Wales Avenue				1
Maple				1
Total March 1, 1897	22	1	13	109
<i>Additional lights:</i>				
September 1, 1897, West				2
November 1, 1897, Mt. Pleasant Sq.,				1
November 1, 1897, North				1
Total December 31, 1897	22	1	13	113

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON IMPROVED ROADS.

At the adjourned annual town meeting held March 15, 1897, the following vote was passed: "Voted that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the subject of improved roads, and that they be empowered to visit other towns and cities to acquire information as to the construction, care and maintenance of macadamized roads; that the result of their investigations be submitted to the Selectmen, who shall cause the same to be published in the next annual town report."

The undersigned, a committee appointed in accordance with the above vote, respectfully submit the following as the result of their investigations:

The deposits of gravel in our town, which have furnished material for the construction and repair of our highways for many years, are now of such poor quality as to make them practically worthless. We believe no argument is necessary to convince the voters of Randolph that in the near future a radical change should be made in the method of repairing our main highways and in the material to be used therefor. Under the present system of making repairs, a considerable amount of money is expended annually with but very little permanent improvement to our streets, as each succeeding year finds them in comparatively the same general condition. To make our streets what they should be and have them compare favorably with other towns, we must adopt modern

methods to get the best results. In other words, they should be macadamized.

We think that no better or more available article can be found for the repair or rebuilding of our streets than crushed stone, which we find in universal use in the towns that have up to date methods.

Our town has an abundant supply of field stone which, when prepared, would furnish the material necessary for the repair of our present streets or the construction of new ones.

In getting the experience of officials of other places where they use all the modern methods of construction, they are unanimous in their conclusions that under no condition would they recommend a return to former methods.

Permanency once obtained in the construction of the road bed is there for all time, and subsequent repairs are trifling in comparison to present methods.

To adopt these improved means, the town would be obliged to incur considerable additional expense in order to acquire the plant necessary to perform the work.

The following will give an idea as to what the cost of a plant would be :

Steam roller (12 tons)	\$3,000
Crusher, bins, elevator belts, etc.	1,000
Portable engine and boiler (25 horse power)	1,000
Total	<hr/> \$5,000

This plant should be able to crush 100 tons of stone per day at a cost of 20 cents per ton, to which should be added 30 cents per ton for stone delivered at the crusher, making the cost of the crushed stone ready for use about 50 cents.

The estimated cost of stone in place on road would be as follows :

Cost of stone crushed at the crusher	\$0 50
spreading on road	1.5
rolling and watering	25
teaming $\frac{3}{4}$ mile	30
supervision and weighing	10
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	\$1 30

Making the actual cost of the stone in place on the road \$1.30 per ton.

The amount of macadam necessary to build one mile of road 15 feet wide, 6 inches deep in centre, 5 inches on side, would be about 3,000 tons, costing \$3,900.

To build a road 18 feet wide, same depth of stone 3,600 tons, costing \$4,680.

To build a road 21 feet wide, same depth of stone, 4,200 tons, costing \$5,460.

These are estimates based on the supposition that for our streets it would not be necessary to go very deep to get a solid foundation. Here is an estimate from the State Highway Commission :

At a meeting of the Commission held in the Court House in Dedham, in the month of October, the question was asked the chairman what it cost the State to build a mile of macadam road. His reply was "that for a road 15 feet wide it would take 3,000 tons of material at a cost of \$1.50 per ton, making the total cost for one mile, \$4,500." He qualified his estimate of the cost with the remark that the cost of State roads so far furnished no criterion as to what macadam roads would cost, as the Commission thus far has built only the worst sections of roads that could be found.

Cost depends a great deal on how much superstructure will be necessary on each particular street; but we think we can safely say that, to construct macadam streets the width of the streets of our town, the average cost would be about

\$5,500 per mile. It has been brought to our attention that there are people who make a business of selling crushed stone to towns who do not feel able to invest in a plant of their own. The result of our investigations as far as this is concerned, is that the material furnished is of a very poor quality, and the cost about double what it can be crushed for by towns using their own plant.

In conclusion we would say that there are good and bad rollers and crushers on the market, and actual experience could only demonstrate which is the best.

If the town should decide to do anything looking toward the purchase of a plant, that part of the subject could be very easily decided by getting the practical results of the different makers from the places where they are in actual operation.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
RUFUS A. THAYER.



REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The condition of the schools has remained, with the exception of a few changes, substantially the same as last year. On some accounts this is a subject for congratulation; on others, it is to be regretted. We are to be congratulated upon the general excellence of the work which is being done by the teachers, all of whom appear to have a realizing and conscientious sense of the importance of the duties entrusted to them and of the necessity of diligent and painstaking attention to the proper development of the young minds under their care. It is, however, in the opinion of your committee, a source of very great regret that we are still without the services of a superintendent. The advantages which we might hope to derive from the employment of such an official have been frequently pointed out and discussed at length in our reports of past years, and they need not be here reiterated. The usual article upon this subject will be inserted in the warrant for the annual town meeting. Avon is very anxious to join us in forming a district under the statute, and there is some reason to expect that Holbrook also may pass a similar vote. If so, an opportunity will be offered us to create a very compact and desirable district at a very trifling expense to each town composing it. Randolph and Avon are together not quite large enough to form a union such as to receive State assistance.

It is universally agreed by those who have had the best opportunity to form a judgment of the practical working of the

superintendence system that it very materially adds to the efficiency of the public schools,— for reasons which are not far to see, and are applicable to institutions of learning in the same manner and to the same extent as to manufacturing and mercantile industries. The members of the School Board, even if their daily vocations permit them to make frequent personal inspections of the schools, which is rarely the case, do not, however well fitted for the position they may otherwise be, bring to bear upon all the questions incident to the administration of the schools and the adaptation of public educational methods, the intelligent comprehension of a mind especially trained for such a duty, familiar with the latest ideas and constantly alert for improvement. Therefore it is that we earnestly hope that the coming year will at last bring about this much needed reform.

But there is another subject of regret, which is by no means new, and which we approach with no slight feeling of discouragement, and that is the subject of school accommodation. It is two or three years at least since we first called this matter to the attention of the town. In the meantime the situation has been growing worse, and we are no nearer a remedy. It is true that, at our suggestion, a committee of ten was appointed at the last annual meeting to look into the subject and to make a report, and it may be that some sort of a report will be forthcoming at the annual meeting, though late and incomplete. But it has been found almost impossible to get together a quorum of this committee, or, when one was obtained, to arrive at any harmonious or rational conclusion upon the important question committed to our charge. Nobody denies that something should be done, and done speedily, but the best plan to be suggested is a matter of wide divergence of opinion. The School Board strongly advocate a union school building in some central location, to include the High School, the Prescott and North

Grammar schools, and, perhaps, also the South District school (No. 1). This will, of course, entail considerable expense, and at a time when the town is ill able to incur it. But this expense can be so divided over a series of years by recourse to notes or bonds as to make the burden comparatively light. We suggest that the committee appointed at the last annual meeting be discharged, and that another, composed in part at least of new members, citizens known to be interested in school affairs, be appointed, with instructions to report promptly and within a specified time.

CHANGES IN SCHOOLS.

At the beginning of the school year, Miss Ellen E. McLaughlin was appointed in the place of Miss Fannie A. Campbell, in the Prescott school district. Miss Sarah C. Belcher was transferred to the North Grammar school district to take the place of Miss Emma D. Stetson, and Miss Susy L. Balam took Miss Belcher's place in the South district (No. 1).

EXPENDITURES.

The expenses for the year 1897 have been considerably in excess of the appropriation, and of those of the past few years. This has been due partly to the fact that there has been one more week of teaching in the calendar year than is usual—39 instead of 38—and partly because we have felt obliged to begin to gradually provide more modern and comfortable desks in some of the lower grades. We can only say, however, that nothing has been done which, in our opinion, was not reasonably and properly required for the department under our charge. Indeed, there are many things which seem to us necessary, and which, from motives of economy, we have not provided, because it was possible, at least, to get along without them. The following table shows approximately the average per capita cost to the town of its public education from 1892 to 1897, inclusive; it appears from this schedule that the

per capita cost has not materially varied during the six years. This includes the High School, and the actual cost to the town from taxation is therefore to be slightly reduced to the extent of the income derived from the Stetson Fund, as it is also from the revenue of the Coddington Fund, the State school-tax and the dog licenses.

Year.	Number Pupils Enrolled.	Total Cost.	Average Per Capita.
1892	657	\$12,019 51	\$18+
1893	655	11,873 19	18+
1894	703	12,228 19	17+
1895	679	11,686 98	17+
1896	713	12,937 26	18+
1897	723	14,587 96	20+

It is very creditable to the town that it has always been exceedingly liberal in its support of schools, and, while we regret the fact that we have, as it appears, considerably over-run our appropriations, we have no fear that we shall be therefore accused of a thoughtless and lavish expenditure of the public money. We have not been unmindful of the importance of economy, but, relatively, the efficiency of the schools is of greater importance, and while we have them in charge we cannot permit them to be without such supplies and appliances as are reasonably necessary for their successful maintenance. If the town must economize, it is better that it should be in some other department. We ought constantly to remember — and this we have said in substance again and again in our reports — that our Commonwealth has established an enviable record in the annals of education, and each municipality being answerable for the proper administration of its own schools, should take a particular pride in performing its duty in this respect, not only for the sake of its individual growth and prosperity, but that it may attain to the high standard set by the State, and not subject itself to unfavorable comparison with other towns.

A detailed statement of the expenditures in this department for the year ending December 31, 1897, is annexed to this report.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Mary Ainsley.	Dorothy Hayes.
Leona Bloom.	Hortense G. Hayes.
William M. Bustard.	Florence Holbrook.
Lloyd Chase.	Raymond Hooper.
Louis Courtney.	Hazel H. Huke.
Bertha E. Devine.	Peter Rooney.
Florence E. Devine.	Mary Scannell.
Roland R. Tileston.	

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

Arthur C. Baker.	Leo Hurley.
Joseph Brady.	Alice L. Kiley.
Sarah Burke.	Maurice F. Kiley.
James Carroll.	William Kiley.
Albert Cunningham.	Lizzie Linnehan.
Delia M. Cunningham.	Edward Loftus.
Harry Dennehy.	Josephine Long.
Helen Donahoe.	Willie Long.
Frank Doonan.	Nellie Lyons.
Charles A. Dyer.	Mary Malley.
Willie H. Dyer.	Rose Manley.
James E. Foley.	Julia A. Mooney.
Kittie Forrest.	Clara Perry.
Nellie Gill.	Elmer W. Poole.
George W. Hill.	Grace Rudderham.
Josephine Holden.	Kittie Sheppard.
Olive Marcille.	

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14 years of age.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Fred E. Chapin . .	100	98	92	93.9	74	26	0
	{ Isabel M. Breed . .							
	{ Edna Hilton . . .							
PRESCOTT	{ Thomas H. West . .	60	54	51.3	94	5	42	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Katie A. Kiley . .	43	41.8	39.5	94½	2	41	0
	{ Mary A. Molloy . .	39	34	32.5	95	0	39	0
	{ Kittie E. Sheridan .	34	32	30	93	0	29	0
PRESCOTT	{ Mary E. Wren . . .	34	32.3	30.5	94+	0	17	0
PRIMARY,	{ Ellen E. McLaughlin,	36	32.7	30.2	92½	0	3	0
	{ Kittie R. Molloy . .	55	50	46	92	0	0	0
NORTH	{ Joseph Belcher . .	56	54+	51+	95	2	42	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Ellen P. Henry . .	34	31+	29	93+	0	32	0
NORTH	{ Sarah C. Belcher . .	27	25	23	92+	0	14	0
PRIMARY,	{ Clara A. Tolman . .	37	32	28	87½	0	0	0
	{ Susy L. Balkam . .	32	27+	23	89	0	26	0
	{ Hannah F. Hoye . .	31	26	24	92	0	31	0
UNGRADED,	{ Elizabeth G. Lyons .	31	31	28	90	0	9	1
	{ Lucie W. Lewis . .	46	31	28	90+	0	20	0
	{ Helen A. Belcher . .	28	23	22	95	0	22	3

The Committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1898 :

For teaching	\$7,425 00
Care of rooms	575 00
Fuel	400 00
Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and general repairs	700 00
Books and supplies	1,000 00
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	\$10,100 00

Less estimated revenue from the dog-tax, State	
school tax and Coddington fund	\$800 00
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	\$9,300 00

ASA P. FRENCH,
 THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
 ROYAL T. MANN,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS FOR 1897.

FOR TEACHING (39 weeks).

Paid Thomas H. West	\$1,026 44
Joseph Belcher	1,026 44
Ellen P. Henry	461 76
Katharine A. Kiley	461 76
Emma D. Stetson	230 00
Katharine E. Sheridan	421 50
Mary A. Molloy	429 00
Mary E. Wren	390 00
Katharine R. Molloy	390 00
Clara A. Tolman	390 00
Helen A. Belcher	390 00
Lucie W. Lewis	390 00
Hannah F. Hoye	390 00
Sarah C. Belcher	390 00
Fannie A. Campbell	207 00
Elizabeth G. Lyons	341 00
Ellen E. McLaughlin	128 00
Susy L. Balkam	128 00
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	\$7,590.90

FUEL.

Paid Edwin M. Mann	\$36 00
A. J. DeForest	1 50
F. E. Stetson	2 50
M. E. Leahy	297 50
Abram Jones	2 50
D. B. White	6 25
Thomas Donahoe	1 75
Joseph Jones	2 50
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	\$350 50

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid George M. Johnson	\$100 00
John P. Rooney	70 75
A. J. DeForest	10 00
Mrs. A. J. DeForest	33 35
Eleanor Holbrook	31 25
Mrs. Eleanor Holbrook	12 25
Martin Hearty	223 10
Francis B. Thayer	42 35
James Barry	54 25
Mrs. John Carr	4 00
Colin Boyd	10 00
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	\$591 05

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Maynard, Merrill & Co.	\$2 16
Ginn & Co.	4 47
William Fenton, clocks	3 90
Silver, Burdett & Co.	3 60
Boston School Supply Co.	1 75

Paid Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$8 00
Edward Pray	15 36
J. L. Hammett	96
Edward E. Babb & Co.	150 00
Perry, Mason & Co.	3 64
Edward E. Babb & Co.	7 50
Edward E. Babb & Co.	2 35
Boston School Supply Co.	1 60
Boston School Supply Co.	4 00
Ginn & Co.	5 25
Boston School Supply Co.	2 40
Ginn & Co.	8 47
Edward E. Babb & Co.	4 24
Edward E. Babb & Co.	1 41
Ginn & Co.	20 60
American Book Co.	76 08
Ginn & Co.	25 92
Boston School Supply Co.	3 00
J. L. Hammett & Co.	9 00
Edward E. Babb & Co.	86 89
Lothrop Publishing Co.	5 00
Edward E. Babb & Co.	15 29
Silver, Burdett & Co.	4 00
J. L. Hammett & Co.	3 00
Edward E. Babb & Co.	1 70
American Book Co.	255 50
James A. Kingsbury	2 00
Ginn & Co.	4 00
Boston School Supply Co.	6 12
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	15 30
Silver, Burdett & Co.	8 34
D. C. Heath & Co.	68
University Publishing Co.	6 00
Lothrop Publishing Co.	9 00

Paid Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$58 46
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	5 36
Gurney Bros.	5 50
D. C. Heath & Co.	32
Ginn & Co.	5 58
Edward E. Babb & Co.	14 44
American Book Co.	4 80
Maynard, Merrill & Co.	27 45
D. C. Heath & Co.	33 34
Allyn & Bacon	5 00
J. L. Hammett & Co.	2 16
Edward E. Babb & Co.	32 25
Thompson, Brown & Co.	14 17
Taunton Lumber Co.	8 00
Edward Babb & Co. E.	18 00
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	16 67
Ginn & Co.	63 68
Edward E. Babb & Co.	32 31
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	1 67
Library Bureau	4 45
American Book Co.	23 08
J. L. Hammett & Co.	60
Edward E. Babb & Co.	16 90
Ginn & Co.	8 75
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	7 56
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	\$1,063 98

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid Charles H. Belcher, supplies	\$111 20
Charles Prescott, supplies	8 85
Irving Wheeler, flags	17 00
Morse & White, coal screens	12 00
Thomas Hall & Son	3 28

Paid H. W. Mann, cash, Jones contest . . .	\$16 00
Frank J. Donahoe	5 00
C. E. Lyons	11 67
Michael Leahy, labor	7 00
Thomas A. Kennedy, cash paid . . .	11 50
J. H. DeForest	2 50
Edward Perry, labor and materials . .	24 00
Thomas J. Kiernan, watchman . . .	7 50
George M. Johnson, labor	1 75
Hannah C. Johnson, labor	15 00
James Barry, labor	10 00
William Good, labor	1 75
M. Wales Baker, labor and material . .	13 11
Charles A. Wales, labor and material . .	88 92
H. A. Belcher, curtains	9 00
William L. Allen, oiling floors . . .	56 00
John E. MacDonald, taking census . . .	20 00
Boston Belting Co.	6 75
J. Brown, plumbing Tower Hill School . .	9 90
J. H. DeForest, labor	2 50
Charles H. Cole, labor	7 00
E. A. Perry, labor and material . . .	8 75
Patrick H. McLaughlin, supplies . . .	2 20
M. Wales Baker, labor	4 25
Francis Thayer, labor	17 14
James Barry, labor	75
E. A. Perry, labor	1 25
Frank Donahoe, truant officer	15 00.
H. A. Belcher, supplies	4 00
Fred M. French, insurance	47 63
J. White Belcher, insurance	30 00
M. M. Alden, labor	2 52
Nelson Mann, truant officer 1896, 1897 .	20 00
F. W. Langley, labor	4 80

Paid M. A. Donovan	\$3 93
Fred M. French, insurance	21 00
D. H. Huxford, printing	27 00
Dexter Clarke	2 00
Nelson Mann, truant officer	20 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	61 09
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	\$772 49

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid N. H. Tirrell, painting	\$169 25
W. L. Allen, painting and repairing	149 00
F. W. Sanborn & Co., lumber	12 97
J. H. DeForest, labor on fence	4 00
Charles Lyons, repairs Tower Hill School	6 75
E. W. Campagna, labor	17 59
W. A. Croate	9 85
The Chandler Adjustable Chair & Desk Co., desks and chairs	678 90
Labor on desks	7 00
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	\$1,055 31

SUMMARY.

Paid for teaching	\$7,590 90
• Fuel	350 50
Care of rooms	591 05
Books and supplies	1,063 98
General expenses	772 49
Permanent repairs	1,055 31
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	\$11,424 23

Appropriations.	\$10,155 24
Overdrawn	<u>\$1,268 99</u>

INCOME FROM FUNDS AND TAXES.

1897. Coddington Fund	.	.	.	.	.	\$64 00
State School Fund	.	.	.	.	.	281 28
Dog licenses	.	.	.	.	.	469 96
						<u>\$815 24</u>

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

There has been no change in the investment of this Fund since our last annual report. It is represented by the following securities :

10 shares Eliot National Bank . . .	\$1,000 00
10 shares Hide & Leather National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe & Leather National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares National Exchange Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
5 shares Tremont National Bank . . .	500 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
13 shares Shawmut National Bank . . .	1,300 00
6 shares Webster National Bank . . .	600 00
3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent bonds,	3,000 00
1 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent bond,	500 00
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	\$11,900 00

The investment of the Turner fund, also, has not been changed.

The exercises of the fifty-third annual commencement occurred on the twenty-fifth day of June last, at which time diplomas were presented to eight pupils, as follows :

Latin Course.

Francis A. Browne.	Gilman L. Chase.
Grace W. Cole.	Blanche B. Day.
Annie G. Flaherty.	Edith F. Knight.
Sarah J. Langley.	

English Course.

Joseph D. Wales.

The Turner medals were awarded to Gilman L. Chase, the valedictorian, and Annie G. Flaherty, the salutatorian.

At the beginning of the current school year the number of pupils in the school was 100, of whom 80 were pursuing the Latin course and 20 the English course.

Of the class of 37 who entered the school in September, 1897, 33 elected to take the Latin course and 4 the English course.

Mr. William A. Butler, who was appointed by the Trustees to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Hugh J. Molloy in January, 1897, severed his connection with the school at the end of the school year, and Mr. Fred E. Chapin was, during the summer vacation, elected as principal. Mr. Chapin is a graduate of Dartmouth College of the class of 1884, and since his graduation has devoted himself to the profession of teaching. He has been principal of the High School at Calais, Maine, at Bellows Falls, Vt., and also at Gardner and South Hadley Falls, Mass., to which latter position he had been re-elected when he was chosen to fill the principalship of the Stetson High School. Mr. Chapin came to us highly recommended, and his work here during the year has been such, in the opinion of the Trustees, as to abundantly justify them in their choice. He is firm and progressive, and we are confident that under his management the school will acquire and maintain a high standard of excellence.

In December, 1897, Miss Edna Hilton, who had successfully filled the position of assistant teacher in the school for two years, tendered her resignation to accept a position in one of the Brockton schools, and Miss Ella L. Chase, of Randolph, a graduate of the school in 1892, and of Boston University of the class of 1897, was elected to succeed her.

The report of the secretary, Charles G. Hathaway, Esq., is hereto annexed.

ASA P. FRENCH,
THOMAS A. KENNEDY,
ROYAL T. MANN,

Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

DR.		THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH	
1897.			
Jan.	To balance old account	\$96 50	
25.	interest on account at Mass. Loan & Trust Co., to date	3 43	
26.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
Mar. 22.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
Apr. 2.	bank dividends, Eliot National, \$30 00		
	Webster	15 00	
	Hide & Leather,	25 00	
	Shoe & Leather,	22 50	
	Exchange	30 00	
	Boylston	30 00	
	Old Boston	25 00	
	Tremont	10 00	
	Shawmut	39 00	
		<hr/>	226 50
3.	C. B. & Q. coupons	87 50	
July 12.	town appropriation in part	250 00	
28.	interest on account at Mass. Loan & Trust Co., to date	3 56	
Sept. 28.	Town appropriation in part	300 00	
Oct. 1.	C. B. & Q. coupons	87 50	
2.	bank dividends, Eliot National, \$30 00		
	Webster	15 00	
	Hide & Leather,	25 00	
	Shoe & Leather,	22 50	
	Exchange	30 00	
	Boylston	30 00	
	Old Boston	25 00	
	Tremont	10 00	
	Shawmut	39 00	
		<hr/>	226 50
Nov. 22.	town appropriation, balance of	550 00	
Dec. 27.	tax on bank stock refunded by town	116 69	
	rental of hall	123 00	
		<hr/>	\$3,171 18

THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1897.

Jan.	15.	By paying Hugh Molloy, account salary .	\$78 95
Feb.	5.	Hugh Molloy, account salary .	118 42
	5.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	72 37
	5.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	72 04
	6.	C. A. Wales, bill . . .	3 85
	11.	A. J. Gove, bill . . .	11 85
	12.	H. M. White Co., bill . .	58
	25.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	43 42
	27.	William A. Butler, account salary,	78 90
Mar.	12.	William A. Butler, account salary,	52 69
	12.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	72 35
	17.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	32 45
	26.	W. M. Baker, bill . . .	17 01
Apr.	10.	E. W. Campagna, bill . .	9 69
	17.	A. E. Rowe, bill . . .	1 90
	21.	William A. Butler, account salary,	105 26
	21.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	86 84
	21.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	57 88
	28.	Charles E. Lyons, bill . .	1 75
	30.	Charles E. Woodhull, bill .	3 00
May	6.	Fred M. French, insurance policy,	46 43
	19.	Charles Doughty, bill . .	40 50
	19.	William A. Butler, account salary,	105 26
	19.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	19.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	57 88
June	23.	H. C. Kendall, bill . . .	2 00
	25.	William A. Butler, account salary,	72 37
	25.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	72 39
	25.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	72 80
	25.	J. Howard Richardson, orchestra,	44 80
July	1.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	39 90
	12.	William A. Butler, account salary,	69 21
	24.	Wm. L. Allen, bill, painting, etc.,	37 50
	31.	Wm. L. Allen, bill, painting, etc.,	115 00
	31.	William Mahady, bill . .	5 00
Sept.	1.	William L. Allen, bill . .	15 25
	4.	American Bank Note Co., bill diplomas . . .	2 50
	25.	M. W. Baker, bill . . .	18 10
	27.	A. M. McPhail Piano Co., bill .	2 50
Oct.	1.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	136 84

Oct.	1.	By paying Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	\$57 89
	1.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	57 89
	5.	C. H. Belcher, bill . . .	27 39
	18.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	100 00
	29.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	36 84
	29.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	29.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	57 89
Nov.	12.	Colin Boyd, bill . . .	27 61
	16.	J. White Belcher, insurance policy,	17 00
	25.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	136 84
	25.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	25.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	57 89
Dec.	10.	C. E. Lyons, bill . . .	1 25
	10.	George H. Ritcher & Co., bill .	3 50
	20.	William B. Spear, bill . . .	14 00
	20.	Edwin M. Mann, bill . . .	7 50
	23.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	136 84
	23.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	23.	Edna Hilton, account salary .	57 89
	24.	Arthur W. Alden, bill, janitor .	16 02
	27.	Frank F. Smith, bill, charcoal .	9 00
	31.	D. B. White, bill, coal . . .	138 00
	31.	D. H. Huxford, bill, printing .	23 50
	31.	W. A. De Pew, set of Chambers'	
		encyclopedia . . .	50 00
	31.	Trustees and Secretary . . .	20 00
	31.	Balance . . .	7 45
			<hr/> \$3,171 18

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1897.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

JOHN K. WILLARD. PETER B. HAND. M. WALES BAKER.
Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

JOHN B. THAYER.

JOHN V. BEAL.

ASA P. FRENCH.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

HENRY A. BELCHER.

MRS. ALICE M. T. BEACH.

MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

MRS. ELLEN J. T. CRAWFORD.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant Librarian.

MRS. FRANCIS O. HOWARD.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with Article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the twenty-second annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1897.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, John K. Willard and M. Wales Baker) report that "the building is in good condition, and no extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year."

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Mrs. Clara A. Wales and Mrs. Ellen J. T. Crawford), and the books, charts, and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition; all books belonging to the library were accounted for by the librarian. The rules and regulations for the government of the library have generally been observed.

The following extracts from the twenty-second annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees, contain a condensed statement of the present condition of the library, and a brief summary of the work accomplished :

"The library has been open 276 days, during which time 22,764 volumes have been delivered to the patrons of the same, a gain of 15 per cent over the previous year.

"The total number of books in the library is 13,717 — 727 of which have been added during the past year.

"The average daily circulation has been 82.

"The largest circulation in one day was 354.

"Books borrowed on teachers' cards, 620.

"The last twelve months have brought some general changes, but only slight innovations ; yet it is confidently hoped that the rearrangement of a portion of the library : the recataloguing of the more popular books : the reclassifying of some of the works of some leading authors : the placing of interesting and profitable reading in full view of the boys and girls, where immediate selection can be made from authors and titles : and the faithful and painstaking everyday work of the library, has not been useless in its happy effect upon our patrons, or unavailing in its benign influence upon the intellectual life of the town."

CIRCULATION.

"The circulation of books for home use has been largely in excess of that of previous years, owing chiefly to the restocking of the shelves in the boys' and girls' department, and the consequent changes noted above.

"The demand for fiction is persistent and often indiscriminating, and the majority of the books taken are of this class. The redeeming feature is found in the fact that, as a rule,

the works of fiction in our library are of excellent quality, and of sufficient variety to suit all classes and ages."

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

"This department has been freely and generously used, but as, under the new arrangement, the patrons are permitted free access to the shelves, no accurate record of the number of works consulted can be given—in fact, the value of reference work and study cannot be estimated by statistics.

"All who desire assistance in this department receive attention and direction. The kindly words expressed by patrons evidence their pleasure at the service rendered, and satisfaction at the scope of the works consulted.

SCHOOLS.

"The library has for years had an enviable record in its liberal provisions for aiding and encouraging both teachers and scholars in their school work. Some of the teachers are very prompt to employ and acknowledge the value of these agencies. One teacher, who is quite untiring in her selection of reading for her pupils, thoughtfully said: 'The assistance we receive at the library helps to make our work lighter and brighter, for it interests us and it aids in the instruction of the children.' The remark was a suggestive one, in that it was in harmony with what must be patent to every observant librarian, that the wisely directed collateral reading of students tends constantly to the formation of a systematic habit of correct and commendable reading."

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt and Peter B. Hand) report as follows:

"In compliance with the requirements of Article Tenth of

the by-laws of the Turner Free Library, the committee on finance herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1897, and ending December 31, 1897, also the result of their examination of the treasurer's accounts and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts of the treasury during this period of time, as per accounts of John J. Crawford, treasurer, including the balance of \$354.81 of last year, were \$3,587.29.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$3,348.01, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$239.28.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasurer, we find that bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$239.28, as above shown, is now in the treasury and remains on deposit in the National Hide and Leather Bank, Boston.

"The committee further find that all the rents, the interest and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the above mentioned balance, consist of five thousand (5000) dollars invested in a promissory note of the Town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, and the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, known as the 'Turner Fund,' invested as follows:

"Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each;

"One bond of the Union Pacific Railroad Collateral Trust of \$1,000 ;

"Three bonds of the Kansas Pacific Railroad of \$1,000 each ;

"Two bonds of the Burlington & Northern Railroad of 1,000 each ;

"One Old Colony bond of \$1,000.

"The Royal W. Turner legacy is invested as follows :

"Ten Old Colony Railroad bonds, \$10,000 ; ten Wayne County, Michigan, bonds, \$10,000.

"After due consideration, your committee have decided to ask no appropriation from the town for the ensuing year for the general expenses of the library."

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1897, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

At the close of another year the trustees again express their satisfaction with the excellent condition of the library under the care and management of the present faithful and efficient librarian and his assistant.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1898.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY, JANUARY 1, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . .	\$300 00
Charles H. Belcher . . .	250 00
Ladies' Library Association . . .	15 00
Interest on town loan	200 00
Income from Turner fund	390 00
R. W. Turner legacy	800 00
From Randolph Savings Bank, fuel, etc. . .	187 85
one Union Pacific Bond, called . . .	1,058 38
final payment under R. W. Turner legacy . .	3 75
finer and catalogues	27 50
Balance January 2, 1897	354 81
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	\$3,587 29

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books, magazines, etc.	\$748 16
salary of librarian	500 00
assistant librarian	250 00
janitor	125 00
one Old Colony Railroad 4 per cent. bond, .	1,053 67
supplies	134 10
electric lighting	75 00
fuel	171 25
permanent repairs	200 64
binding	79 19
express	11 00
Balance, December 31, 1897	239 28
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	\$3,587 29

The Turner fund is invested in —

3 Chicago Burlington & Quincy Railroad bonds,	\$3,000 00
2 Chicago, Burlington & Northern Railroad bonds,	2,000 00
3 Kansas Pacific Railroad bonds	3,000 00
1 Union Pacific Railroad bond	1,000 00
1 Old Colony Railroad bond	1,000 00
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	\$10,000 00

The legacy received under the will of Royal W. Turner is invested in —

10 Old Colony Railroad bonds	\$10,000 00
10 Wayne County, Michigan, bonds	10,000 00
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	\$20,000 00

The balance of the fund of the library is in a \$5,000 note of the town of Randolph, which bears interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

RANDOLPH, Mass., January 1, 1898.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

Gentlemen,—The following report of the Board of Engineers of Fire Department is herewith submitted:

On May 1, 1897, the department was organized as follows:

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; D. J. Brennan, Cornelius Desmond, James E. Blanche, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Clerk*.

APPARATUS AND COMPANIES.

Engine 1: A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Engine 2: James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine 1: J. A. Blanche, *Driver*.

Truck 1: Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon 1: Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel 2: Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1: 17 men, James W. Farrell, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. No. 2: 10 men, John E. Clark, *Foreman*.

Ladder Co. No. 1: 16 men, Charles E. Dolan, *Foreman*.

Chemical Co. No. 1: 12 men, James F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

February 19, 1897, 1.30 P.M., alarm for fire on roof of coal shed owned and occupied by D. B. White, located near Warren Street Station of N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R.; damage slight.

February 28, 8.30 A.M., Chief Wales received a call for assistance from Chief White of Holbrook, the Town Hall being on fire. Hose 1 with 12 men was sent in answer to the call. Their services were not needed, as the fire was under control when they arrived in Holbrook.

March 24, 3 A.M., fire was discovered in the dwelling on North Street owned by I. Willie Hayden and occupied by Charles Hunt; wholly destroyed; loss, \$1,000; insured; no alarm on the bells.

March 30, Chief Wales with a force of men was called to fire in pasture and woodland near Catholic cemetery.

March 31, Chief Wales and men were called to fires in woodland on Union Street and Highland Avenue.

April 2, Chief Wales and Assistant Croak each with gangs of men fought woodland fires on Union, North, South, Pond and North Main Streets. A large area of wood and pasture land was burned over on South Street. A small building was burned, the same being the property of Mrs. Margaret Prior.

April 4, 12 M., alarm for fire in woodland on Union Street, near residence of George French and Dennis Kelliher.

April 22, Chief Wales was called to fire in woodland on Oak Street.

May 16, 8 P.M., alarm for fire in chimney of dwelling owned and occupied by John V. Beal on South Main Street.

May 18, 7 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on South Main Street owned and occupied by Warren Shaw. Oil stove on fire was the cause; no damage.

June 23, 11.20 P.M., alarm which called the whole department to a fire in the Baptist Church on Main Street, opposite Liberty Street. The fire, without any doubt whatever, was of incendiary origin. It was set in the rear end of the church, and no doubt had been burning a long time when discovered. When the first piece of apparatus arrived,

the fire had burned up the end wall of the building to a closed attic under a slated roof, where it was beyond control. In a short time the supports to the long truss which held the roof were burned away, which caused the roof to fall in. Neighboring buildings were then in danger from falling sparks from the burning spire. Then it was decided to call on Chief White of Holbrook. He responded, with hose reel and 10 men, and rendered valuable assistance. The loss was about \$30,000; insured.

September 28, 4 P.M., on a still alarm the chemical engine responded to a fire in chimney in dwelling on Liberty Street owned by Mrs. Lydia Holbrook and occupied by John Madigan.

October 1, 1 P.M. an automatic alarm called a portion of the department to the factory of Charles Doughty on Warren Street; no damage; cause, crossed wires.

October 10, 2 P.M., alarm for fire in chimney of dwelling of Warren Shaw, South Main Street.

October 17, Chief Wales with men were called to fire in woodland in rear of J. Monroe Dyer, on North Street.

October 19, J. E. Blanche with men were called to fire in woodland on South Street.

December 19, 1 P.M., an alarm for fire in dwelling on Lafayette Street owned and occupied by Andrew E. Hayes; roof burned off; cause, defective chimney.

EXPENSES.

Paid 56 men \$12 each	\$572 00
56 men 322 hours at 50 cents	161 00
56 men 72 hours at 25 cents	18 00
For fighting fires in woodland	84 24
Engineer of steamer	40 00
Fireman of steamer	30 00

Paid A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus 1 year .	\$300 00
F. J. Donahue, steward, etc., 1 year .	88 25
W. F. Sullivan, steward, etc., 6 months .	39 29
W. M. Howard, steward, etc., 1 year .	70 75
W. D. Halloran, steward, etc. . .	12 00
Colin Boyd, janitor, 1½ year . . .	8 00
William Mahady, labor	1 50
Insurance on apparatus	70 45
Insurance on houses	8 00
Insurance and inspection of steamers .	30 00
Electric light service and lamps 2 years .	27 45
E. L. Payne, care steamer 2 years . .	20 25
J. E. Blanche, hauling apparatus, teams for committee, etc.	101 00
S. A. Thayer, coal for houses	32 00
W. A. Croak, repairs on houses . . .	10 93
N. H. Tirrell, painting signs	25 00
C. A. Wales, labor and material . . .	14 75
Randolph and Holbrook water works .	16 50
E. A. Perry, labor	1 00
Henry Campbell, varnishing hose wagon .	18 00
James Fardy, iron work	8 50
E. M. Mann, wood	4 00
James Riley, hauling apparatus . . .	48 00
James Riley, rent of land	15 00
D. H. Huxford, printing and advertising .	8 75
P. Henry Hand and others, shoveling snow,	2 62
J. W. Farrell, labor	4 00
D. B. White, coal	40 50
C. D. Hill, supplies	2 35
Heirs of Mary Sullivan, rent of land . .	10 00
W. D. Hatchfield, iron work	30
C. N. Richardson, ladder truck . . .	1,000 00
C. N. Richardson, hose for chemical engine	120 00

Paid A. J. Gove, expressing, teams, etc.	\$24 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies, etc.	2 34
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	\$3,191 77
Appropriation	\$3,200 00
Expenses	3,191 77
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Balance	\$8 23

Received from city of Quincy for use of steamer 1, \$120.00.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one four wheel hose-reel (horse), one two wheel hose-reel (hand), one chemical engine, one ladder truck (new), one old truck, 3,500 feet of hose, extra ladders in house of engine 2 and chemical 1.

We are pleased to report that in accordance with the vote of the town we have purchased a new ladder truck; it is a steel frame truck, and is equipped with a full compliment of ladders, including a 45 foot extention ladder. Its other equipment is complete in all respects. It is pronounced by all who have seen it a model truck of its kind.

In order to house it so as to be convenient and ready for use, we shall have to make some alterations in the house of central station.

We have been in communication with several towns and small cities on the subject of selling one of the steamers. We hope to find a customer ere long, as the expense of caring for, insuring against fire and accident, and the cost of inspection each year is quite an item, amounting probably to \$250 for both.

The chemical engine ought to receive some attention in the way of repairs or remodeling. There have been many changes and improvements in the make of this kind of appa-

ratus, more especially in regard to the vessels that are placed inside the machine to hold the material with which they are charged.

The former leaden vessels, or bottles, have been discarded for glass, which is a great improvement, as the vitriol used soon consumes the leaden vessel and renders it unfit for use; by so doing other parts of the machine are injured also. In times past, the machine has failed to work at the proper time and was in fact almost useless for reasons above stated.

This machine has proved of great value on several occasions in the past, when it was in good working condition, and in order that it may render good service in the future, we would recommend that it be put in good *working condition*, or else be sold. The probable cost of remodeling would be about \$100.

HOUSES.

The houses are in pretty good condition; water from the street is a fixture in all of them at present. At the central station some alteration will be required to accommodate the new truck. At the house of engine 2, and possibly at the chemical house, the foundation under the centre of the floors will have to be strengthened.

FIRE ALARMS.

We come again to the subject of fire alarm, a subject we have called the attention of the town to many times before. The committee which had the matter under consideration for a time reported one year ago, and from that report it was learned that the expense of a good system of alarm, that would cover the entire town, would be about \$2,000. The Board of Engineers are unanimous in recommending such a system. Randolph is almost alone, as a town, in not having something in the line of fire alarm. Towns all about us have some means of locating a fire, in order that time and

expense be saved and the damage to building be reduced to a minimum.

FIRE LOSSES.

The loss by fire the past year to buildings and contents was about \$32,000. The amount of insurance paid was about \$19,000. The damage to woodland by fire is estimated to be about \$375.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR 1898.

We would recommend the same pay as last year, as follows: \$12 per year per man, 50 cents per hour for actual service at fires, and 25 cents per hour guard or watch duty, fires in woodland, steward work, etc.; engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman of steamer, \$30. We therefore ask to have appropriated the following:

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
pay of 55 men at \$12	660 00
hour service	225 00
fires in woodland	100 00
repairs of chemical engine	100 00
insurance	100 00
repairs	100 00
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	\$2,285 00
If a fire alarm is voted by the town	2,000 00
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	\$4,285 00

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*,
D. J. BRENNAN,
CORNELIUS DESMOND,
J. E. BLANCHE,
W. A. CROAK, *Clerk*,
Engineers.



TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

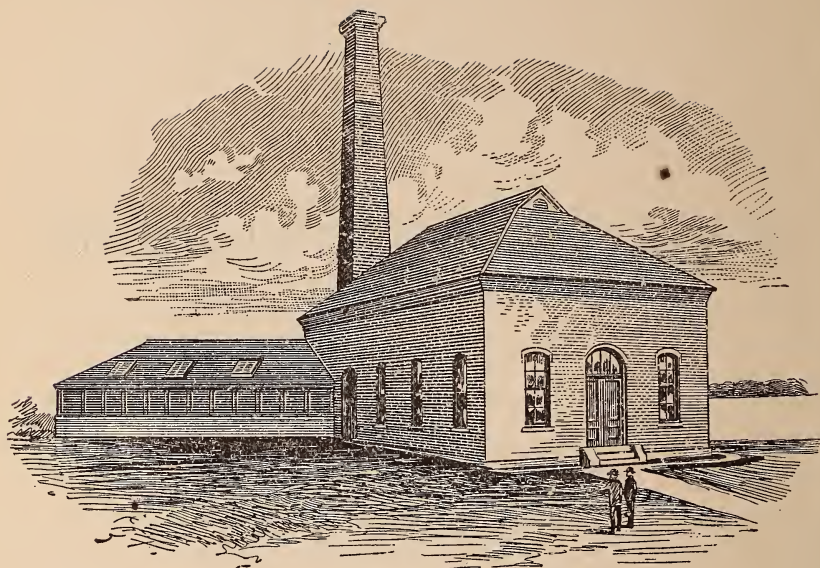
WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.



RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK WATER WORKS.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

We respectfully present to you the twelfth annual report of the condition of the water works, also reports of treasurer and engineer, for the year ending December 31, 1897.

E. J. T. Dexter still remains as engineer, and we have found station and pumps in good order, and during the year he has made many repairs. For further information, see engineer's report.

The case of J. T. Langford remains the same as last year.

SINKING FUND.

The sinking fund is deposited in the safety deposit vaults, and amounts at the present time to \$35,376.98 ; for further information, see treasurer's report.

The first payment of water bonds was made April 1, 1897, of \$10,000.

The water bonds are due as follows :

April 1, 1902, next one due	.	.	.	.	\$10,000 00
April 1, 1907	.	.	.	.	20,000 00
April 1, 1912	.	.	.	.	20,000 00
April 1, 1917	.	.	.	.	40,000 00
May 1, 1918	.	.	.	.	20,000 00
July 1, 1922	.	.	.	.	25,000 00
July 1, 1926	.	.	.	.	8,000 00
Total	.	.	.	.	<u>\$143,000 00</u>

As required by law for sinking fund, the Commissioners recommend an appropriation for the ensuing year :

For sinking fund same as last year . . .	\$3,000 00
hydrants, and other public uses . . .	2,000 00
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	\$5,000 00

No appropriation for interest the coming year will be required.

Extensions made the last year :

On Old Street	\$1,408 49
Canton Street	905 90
Warren Avenue	483 36
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	\$2,797 75

EXPENDITURES AND MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT, JOINT WORKS,

For year ending December 31, 1897.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary as engineer 1 year .	\$1,100 00
J. White Belcher, insurance on pumping station	52 50
Fred M. French, insurance on pumping station	52 50
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies for pumping station	35 22
A. J. Wilkinson & Co., supplies for pumping station	25 75
Wollaston Foundry, supplies for pumping station	4 14
Loring and Howard, supplies	4 25
W. J. Ryan, labor on roof at station	7 80

Paid D. T. Clark, labor	\$3 00
Duval Metallic Co., packing for pumps	21 60
Crosby Steam Gage & Valve Co., supplies,	8 25
D. B. White, coal for pumping station	872 02
George M. French, painting house	59 45
N. H. Tirrell, painting wagon	10 00
C. E. Lyons, mason work at station	3 09
E. W. Campagna, lumber for station	4 48
Underhay Oil Co., oil for station	36 19
Boston Woven Hose Co., supplies	1 03
Charles H. Belcher, supplies	35 78
James Fardy, repairs on wagon	12 50
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	3 66
Waldo Brothers, shovels	2 13
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., freight	50
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith bill	37 57
A. J. Gove, expressing and teams	72 13
E. M. Mann, wood for station	2 50
C. A. Wales, supplies for station	27 30
William Mahady, labor	2 35
Pay-roll for the year 1897	436 05
Frank A. Long, rubber boots	8 50
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	\$2,942 24

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid City of Brockton, 12-inch sleeve	\$4 88
F. C. Coffin, engineers' report	62 25
John F. Porter, coal	786 24
Richard Adams, rent of stable	24 00
White & Crooker, hay and grain	35 08
Walter A. Crooker, hay, grain and ex- pressing	51 81
John Underhay, insurance on station	52 50
Sumner & Goodwin, supplies	3 60

Paid Burbank & Ryder, paints for standpipe . . .	\$108 85
Government Paint Co., paints for standpipe, . . .	51 30
White Express, hay and grain	9 30
C. H. McCarter, blacksmith's bill and teams, . . .	31 05
Griffith Jones, painting standpipe	309 10
Albert B. Low, guying standpipe	186 00
George T. Wilde, telephone and findings	1 60
M. T. Jordan, stones for guy wires	2 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., rubber gaskets	1 30
Joint pay-roll for the year 1897	116 50
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	\$1,837 36
Paid by Randolph	\$2,942 24
Holbrook	1,837 36
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Total	\$4,779 60
One-half to be paid by each town	\$2,389 80
Paid by Holbrook	1,837 36
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Amount due from Holbrook and paid	\$552 44

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, RANDOLPH WORKS.

Paid Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and gates . . .	\$114 16
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	12 81
National Meter Co., meter	81 60
Waldo Bros., cement	4 85
C. D. Hill, supplies	7 01
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	88 45
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches, etc., . . .	12 00
Perrin, Seamans & Co., supplies	4 95
M. J. Drummond, 6-inch iron pipe	968 20
George Woodman Co., supplies and fittings, . . .	92 82

Paid Henry Campbell, painting hydrants	\$21 26
Boston Lead Co., lead pipe	5 40
C. H. Belcher, supplies	90
George E. Gilchrist, pipe and fittings	106 83
James Fardy, blacksmith's bill	10 60
N.Y., N.H. & H. Railroad Co., freight	185 68
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith's bill	11 37
A. J. Gove, expressing and teams	52 40
E. M. Mann, wood	5 50
National Meter Co., meter	81 60
C. A. Wales, soldering corporations and supplies	15 23
T. J. Kinney, pipe and fittings	18 72
W. D. Hatchfield, blacksmith's bill	12 40
Pay-roll for the year 1897 on extensions, services, etc.	1,914 86
Total	<u>\$3,829 60</u>
Cr. by pipe sold and labor	45 74
Net expense	<u>\$3,783 86</u>

RANDOLPH MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid Daniel H. Huxford, printing water bills, etc.,	\$54 00
H. C. Dimond, rubber stamps	88
Boston Safe Deposit Co., rent of box	10 00
J. T. Leahy, cash for transferring bonds	3 36
Peter B. Hand, services as Water Commis- sioner for year ending March 1, 1897	100 00
Daniel B. White, services as Water Com- missioner for year ending March 1, 1897,	100 00
Mary E. Goldsmith, rent of office 18 months to October 1, 1897	148 75

Paid Timothy Lyons, express bill	\$4 25
E. M. Mann, wood for office	4 50
J. T. Leahy, cash for expenses	7 15
Postage stamps and stationery	4 00
C. A. Wales, services as chairman of Water Commissioners, care of water works, and use of horse for year ending December 31, 1897	600 00
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	\$1,036 89
Paid for joint maintenance account	\$2,942 24
Randolph construction account	3,829 60
Randolph maintenance account	1,036 89
interest on water loan	5,760 00
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	\$13,568 73
Orders drawn on Treasurer	\$13,568 73
Cr. paid by Holbrook on joint account	552 44
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	\$13,015 29

CANTON STREET EXTENSION.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 1304 ft. 6-inch pipe . .	365 12
Chapman Valve Co.	28 02
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branch	3 00
Carting pipe	16 35
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	30 24
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening tools	4 00
James Fardy, sharpening tools	3 00
F. H. Langley, sharpening tools	5 37
C. D. Hill, oil	2 30
Edwin M. Mann, wood	1 75
John Sheehan, Jr., labor	8 20

Paid John Sheehan, labor	.	.	.	.	\$7 55
Thomas Kiley, labor	.	.	.	.	11 85
William Gill, labor	.	.	.	.	1 50
Patrick Kiley, labor	.	.	.	.	5 45
Michael Lagan, labor	.	.	.	.	4 85
Edward Donahue, labor	.	.	.	.	6 65
Patrick Mannix, labor	.	.	.	.	7 10
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	.	.	7 70
Richard Keith, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30
Elmer Erskine, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30
William C. Barry, labor	.	.	.	.	9 30
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	.	.	.	.	10 00
Michael Sheridan, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30
Timothy Mullin, labor	.	.	.	.	5 35
Francis Smith, labor	.	.	.	.	5 35
William Cordingly, labor	.	.	.	.	5 80
William Shepard, labor	.	.	.	.	6 50
Emory Lyons, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30
Hugh Hickey, labor	.	.	.	.	5 80
George Sias, care of lights and labor	.	.	.	.	19 30
Thomas Dee, labor	.	.	.	.	7 55
Sylvester Knox, labor	.	.	.	.	8 05
Dominick Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30
William Brennan, labor	.	.	.	.	7 00
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	.	.	8 50
Michael Ford, labor	.	.	.	.	3 00
Timothy Curran, labor	.	.	.	.	5 05
James Hoyer, labor	.	.	.	.	6 80
John F. Burns, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30
Thomas DeNeil, labor	.	.	.	.	5 80
Philip Green, labor	.	.	.	.	5 80
William Dore, labor	.	.	.	.	7 00
Peter Gibson, labor	.	.	.	.	6 90
Ebenezer Holbrook, labor	.	.	.	.	7 30

Paid Thomas Donahue, labor	\$3 70
Bernard Manley, labor	6 15
Michael Good, labor	9 75
Robert Hamilton, labor	8 40
James Barry, labor	5 80
William Good, labor	5 20
James O'Reilly, labor	6 40
Thomas Curran, labor	5 80
John Harris, labor	6 30
Patrick Madigan, labor	4 35
Soriana Jones, labor	14 00
Michael Crowley, labor	14 00
William Mahady, labor	15 50
Samuel Hamilton, labor	2 80
Patrick Whalin, labor	70
Peter B. Hand, labor	14 00
John E. Clark, labor	7 35
Antonio Dirosa, labor	15 75
Tomaso Dirosa, labor	14 00
Fred ———, labor	14 00
Peter ———, labor	14 00
John ———, labor	8 00
Total	<u>\$905 90</u>

Cost per foot, including pipe, hydrants, branches, etc.,
69½ cents.

Cost per foot, not including pipe, hydrants, etc., $34\frac{4}{3}$ cts.

This extends the main beyond the last house on this street.

OLD STREET EXTENSION.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 1900 feet 6-inch pipe .	\$532 00
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and gate .	38 81

Paid Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branches	\$6 00
Carting pipe	23 70
Chadwick Lead Co., lead	39 12
E. A. Tabor, 19 loads gravel	1 90
W. D. Hatchfield, sharpening tools	8 40
James Fardy, sharpening tools	7 60
Frank H. Langley, sharpening tools	6 00
C. D. Hill, oil	4 61
E. M. Mann, wood	1 75
George Sias, labor	17 95
Richard Keith, labor	11 35
William Cordingly, labor	10 20
Michael Good, labor	14 20
John Harris, labor	15 60
John E. Clark, labor	20 00
Sylvester Knox, labor	6 60
Elmer Erskine, labor	11 60
Ebenezer Holbrook, labor	12 05
James O'Reilly, labor	10 80
William Good, labor	9 30
Thomas Donahue, labor	14 40
Edward Donahue, labor	10 30
Timothy Mullins, labor	10 05
Hugh Hickey, labor	15 60
William Brennan, labor	14 30
William C. Barry, labor	15 25
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	14 30
Michael Sheridan, labor	11 40
Emory Lyons, labor	13 40
Morton Holbrook, labor	15 40
William Shepard, labor	10 30
Thomas Dee, labor	11 25
Philip Greene, labor	9 30
James Hoye, labor	8 80

Paid Patrick Mannix, labor	\$12 00
M. Lagan, labor	9 90
Thomas Curran, labor	10 80
Patrick Whalin, labor	5 70
Timothy Curran, labor	8 70
Dominick Hand, labor	12 60
William Dore, labor	16 30
Patrick Madigan, labor	9 70
John F. Burns, labor	11 75
Robert Hamilton, labor	10 80
Samuel Hamilton, labor	9 60
Thomas DeNeil, labor	8 85
Bernard Manley, labor	11 70
Peter Gibson, labor	5 70
Thomas Kiley, labor	23 80
Patrick Kiley, labor	9 30
Patrick Crosby, labor	3 00
Francis Smith, labor	4 30
John Sheehan, Jr., labor	11 00
G. Bacigalupo, labor	7 70
William Mahady, team and labor . .	31 35
Michael Crowley, labor	22 00
Soriana Jones, care of lights and labor .	40 00
John B. McGrane, labor	6 00
Thomas Duff, labor	6 00
James Barry, labor	4 80
C. H. Truelson, labor	4 80
Peter B. Hand, labor	16 00
Antonia Dirosa, labor	24 75
Tomaso Dirosa, labor	22 00
Fred ———, labor	22 00
Peter ———, labor	22 00

\$1,408 49

Cost per foot, including hydrant, gate, pipe, etc., $74\frac{2}{19}$ cents.

Cost per foot not including pipe, hydrant, etc., $38\frac{1}{9}$ cents.

This extension runs from the junction of Canton and Old Street to the main street at the head of street leading to the pumping station.

WARREN AVENUE EXTENSION.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 840 ft. 6-inch pipe . . .	\$247 24
Chapman Valve Co., hydrant and gate . . .	38 81
Walworth Mfg. Co., 1 8×6 tee and 8-in. sleeve, . . .	12 81
Builders' Iron Foundry Co., branch . . .	3 00
George Gilchrist, gate box . . .	4 50
Chadwick Lead Co., lead . . .	16 80
Carting pipe . . .	7 50
John B. McGrane, labor . . .	5 10
James Lyons, labor . . .	8 20
Michael Linnehan, labor . . .	8 70
William C. Barry, labor . . .	8 50
Patrick Mannix, labor . . .	7 20
Philip Green, labor . . .	5 80
P. K. Kiley, labor . . .	7 20
Thomas Donahue & Sons, labor . . .	17 70
William Brennan, labor . . .	9 10
William Dore, labor . . .	4 20
Joseph Crosby, labor . . .	4 20
Samuel Hamilton, labor . . .	7 30
William Shepard, labor . . .	5 00
William Fennel, care of lights . . .	5 00
Antonio Dirosa, labor . . .	13 50
Tomaso Dirosa, labor . . .	12 00

Paid Fred ———, labor	\$12 00
Peter ———, labor	12 00
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	\$483 36

Cost per foot, including pipe, hydrant, gate, etc., $57\frac{4}{8}\frac{5}{4}$ cts.

Cost per foot, not including pipe, etc., $18\frac{1}{8}\frac{5}{4}$ cents.

This extension was made for the purpose of providing water for new buildings being erected, and as the difference in cost of large or small pipe was not much greater, the Commissioners decided to lay six-inch pipe and extend it to the residence of Daniel Sullivan.

In all these extensions the same plan as in the last few years has been followed, and most of the labor has been done by town people, and no one who applied for work was refused who resided in town.

We have used in these extensions the same weight pipe, 30 pounds to the foot. The mains were laid $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet deep; streets left in as good shape as possible.

Up to the present time we have not had a single leak in the mains laid the last three or four years.

CHARLES A. WALES,

DANIEL B. WHITE,

PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH, February 5, 1898.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,

R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

The buildings and grounds at the station are all in good order. During the year the house occupied by the engineer has been painted, and repairs made on the roof of the station.

No special repairs or additions will be necessary the coming year.

In regard to the condition of boilers, pumps, etc., we refer you to the report of Engineer E. J. T. Dexter and Hartford Steam Boiler and Inspection Company.

REPORT OF E. J. T. DEXTER.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph and Holbrook:

Gentlemen,— I submit to you my tenth annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending December 31, 1897.

The entire plant is in good condition. The Gaskill engine has been thoroughly overhauled and fitted with new plungers. It was found to be in excellent condition internally; it was also found to have settled on one corner of its foundation and had to be brought back into line before the new plungers could be put into place. This work, which required about three weeks, was completed December 22 and the engine started up again, and today is in exactly as good condition as when first placed on its foundation, nearly nine years ago.

I wish at this time to say to the Commissioners that great credit is due the Holly Mfg. Co. for the extremely short time required by them to make the new plungers and fit them to our rods which were sent to them, also for the interest which they showed by making every effort which would be of service to me in getting our engine in working order again at the earliest possible date. The dwelling house has been

thoroughly painted the past year. The pond has received the usual attention, as far as cleaning up the shores are concerned, and with the exception of new frames and sashes for the cellar windows of the station, which was mentioned in last year's report, everything is in good condition.

Following is the usual table showing the consumption of water for the year. Respectfully submitted,

E. J. T. DEXTER, *Engineer.*

DATE.	Gallons pumped.	Daily average, Gallons.	Coal burned, Pounds.	Daily average, Coal, Pounds.
January . . .	7,186,898	218,932	50,827	1,694
February . . .	6,750,514	241,090	44,889	1,496
March . . .	7,285,682	235,022	50,075	1,669
April . . .	7,405,662	246,855	47,261	1,575
May . . .	8,687,912	289,597	55,639	1,854
June . . .	10,358,564	311,952	60,178	2,005
July . . .	11,518,794	383,629	71,149	2,370
August . . .	10,620,750	354,025	66,224	2,207
September . . .	9,751,702	325,053	62,814	2,093
October . . .	8,063,728	268,790	53,268	1,775
November . . .	7,795,824	253,194	51,216	1,707
December . . .	6,517,322	213,577	45,719	1,523
Total . . .	101,743,352	278,750	659,259	1,806

BOILER INSPECTORS' REPORT.

BOSTON, MASS., December 30, 1897.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler, inspected on the twenty-ninth day of December, 1897, by Inspector H. Harden :

H. T. Boiler No. 1.

Internally : With the exception of a light deposit at the rear end of tubes, the surfaces were clean. The laps and flanges were intact ; braces were sound and taut. So far as

could be seen, the openings to outside connections were clear. Fusible plug was in good condition.

Externally: No blisters or fractures were found on shell plates or heads. Seams and tube ends showed no leaks or distress. Boiler appliances were in working order. Steam gauge was correct. Brickwork was in good condition.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works, Randolph, Mass.

BOSTON, MASS., December 10, 1897.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the ninth day of December, 1897, by Inspector F. D. Terry:

H. T. Boiler No. 2.

Internally: The boiler is practically clean and free from scale. There is a very light vegetable deposit on some of the tubes, but it is not of a serious nature. There is no serious corrosion of the several parts, and aside from a light wear, they show no defects. The laps and flanging show no fractures or apparent weakness. The braces are sound and taut. The openings to steam and water gauges, feed and blow-off pipes are clear. The fusible-plug is in good condition.

Externally: The heads and tube ends show no fractures or indications of leakage. The shell plates show no more material change since the last inspection. There is a small fracture at the edge of the plate at the patch in first fire sheet, but in its present condition does no material harm. No other defects were noted. The large patch on the rear fire sheet is in good condition. The boiler appliances are in good working order. The brickwork is in good condition.

Owing to the condition of this boiler, its construction and material, we would recommend that the pressure be reduced to 75 pounds per square inch, and this pressure not exceeded.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS, *Manager*.

Randolph and Holbrook Water Works, Randolph, Mass.

GREAT POND.

The supply and quality of the water remain the same as heretofore. We have removed grass, etc., from the shores of the pond as far as possible, and we think it shows an improvement in the water by so doing.

The water at this time is more highly colored and more taste may be noticed. This is caused by the surface of the pond being covered by ice and by the amount of surface water running in, and will continue for a few weeks.

Samples of the water from the pond or mains are sent to the State Board of Health as ordered by them, and analyzed from the report received. The quality of the water is reported good.

STAND PIPES.

The stand pipes have both been thoroughly scraped on the inside and painted two coats, and one coat on outside. No serious signs of rust were discovered, and the stand pipes at the present time are in good order.

While having the stand pipes empty for painting and cleaning, the Commissioners decided to have guy wires placed on stand pipes, as in case of gales there might be strains which would cause leaks.

A contract was made with A. A. Low to furnish and put on guy wires, which was done, and we now have the guys to be put up any time in the future when required.

The grounds remain in same condition as last year.

The mains have been extended 4,044 feet the present season.

As far as it is possible to know, the mains in the whole system are in good order.

There have been four or five small leaks during last year, and the most of them have been in the meadow land between the place where it leaves the street near the residence of A. J. Towns and the pond road, and we look for the most trouble in the future in this location.

The streets of the town are now pretty well covered by water mains.

HYDRANTS.

The last year three have been added, making 153 at the present.

Of these one is at the end of the line on Canton Street, one at the end of Old Street at the head of Pond Street, and one on Warren Avenue.

A few have had to be dug up and repaired, but up to the present time there has never been one that was not in perfect order when wanted.

They were all tested and left in good order at the end of the Fall.

In submitting this report, we would be pleased to have strangers and our own citizens visit our water works and examine for themselves.

CHARLES A. WALES,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
PETER B. HAND,

Water Commissioners.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER WORKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1896 . . .	\$1,753 07
Received for water rates and service connections, . . .	5,430 72
• labor and sale of pipe	45 74
Refunded by Holbrook (balance joint account), . . .	552 44
Received appropriations of town :	
For interest	\$1,000 00
hydrants	2,000 00
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	3,000 00
Received interest on deposits	6 42
for sale of five bonds	5,372 22
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	\$16,160 61

EXPENDITURES.

Paid orders of Water Commissioners, including	
interest on bonds	\$13,568 73
Balance on hand, December 31, 1897	2,591 88
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	\$16,160 61

RANDOLPH, February 5, 1898.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

DR.

Balance on hand December 31, 1896 . . .	\$5,724 14
Received town appropriation	3,000 00
for town note	4,000 00
four City of Cleveland bonds . . .	4,000 00
three Fitchburg Railroad bonds . .	3,000 00
Withdrawn from Randolph Savings Bank . .	297 22
Refunded, for collection of bonds	3 36
Received interest :	
On town note, 18 months	\$240 00
Old Colony Railroad bond	120 00
Maine Central bond	30 00
Fitchburg Railroad bond	135 00
Cleveland, Ohio, bond	80 00
Town of Randolph bonds	660 00
On deposits in savings banks :	
Randolph	\$33 32
Brockton	46 38
North Easton	46 38
Quincy	46 28
Abington	53 14
Mass. Loan & Trust Co.,	34 56
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	1,525 06

\$21,549 78

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By paying bonds due April 1, 1897 . . .	\$10,000 00
for town note	4,000 00
five Town of Randolph bonds . . .	5,372 22
collection of bonds	3 36

By depositing in savings banks	\$1,665 18
Balance in hands of Treasurer Dec. 31, 1897,	509 02
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	\$21,549 78

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF WATER ACCOUNT DECEMBER 31, 1897.

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds outstanding	\$143,000 00
Interest on bonds Dec. 31, 1897,	1,693 33
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	\$144,693 33

ASSETS.

Sinking fund	\$35,376 98
Cash in hands of Treasurer	2,591 88
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	37,968 86
Net water debt December 31, 1897	\$106,724 47

Net water debt Dec. 31, 1896,	\$108,349 19
Net water debt Dec. 31, 1897,	106,724 47
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Decrease of water debt in 1897,	\$1,624 72

STATE OF THE RANDOLPH WATER LOAN SINK- ING FUND DECEMBER 31, 1897.

\$3,000 00	1 Old Colony R.R. bond, 4 per cent registered.
500 00	1 Maine Central R.R. bond, 6 per cent coupon.
22,000 00	22 Town of Randolph bonds, 4 per cent coupon.
4,000 00	1 Town of Randolph note, 4 per cent demand.

\$1,221 61	Deposit in Abington Savings Bank.
1,195 04	Deposit in North Easton Savings Bank.
1,195 04	Deposit in Brockton Savings Bank.
1,194 94	Deposit in Quincy Savings Bank.
561 33	Deposit in Randolph Savings Bank.
509 02	Deposit in Mass. Loan & Trust Co., Boston.
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\$35,376 98	

RANDOLPH, February 7, 1898.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the Sinking Fund and find it to agree with the statement above made.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

In submitting his report, the Treasurer desires to call attention to the following facts, viz. : that all payments, wherever the same could be done with propriety, have been made upon orders of the Selectmen, and include such items as the State and County taxes and interest on town notes — items which usually appear separately in a Treasurer's report. The only exceptions to this rule are the treasury notes of the town and the "expense" account, comprised of court fees and money paid for returns of births, marriages and deaths, the amount of which is regulated by law. As will be seen by the Financial Exhibit, the net debt of the town has been increased \$1,880.15 during the past year. The explanation is self-evident when we take into consideration the amounts of money drawn on the various accounts over and above the respective appropriations; no provisions could have been made to raise this overdraw by taxation, and its payment therefore could have but one effect — that of adding directly to the indebtedness of the town.

During the year a note of \$10,000 held by the Randolph Savings Bank, drawing interest at 5 per cent, was taken up, and a note for the same amount substituted at 4 per cent. The Lucy A. Wilbur note of \$500 at 5 per cent was also paid. The maximum rate of interest on any note now outstanding is four per cent.

As in previous reports, the interest account is given in detail.

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Amount of town appropriation	\$2,700 00
Interest accrued on deposits	52 48
Interest accrued on taxes	904 16
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	\$3,656 64

Cr.

Paid on town notes :

Feb. 1. \$8,500, 1 year at 4 per cent,	\$340 00
March 10. \$10,000, 8 mos. at $3\frac{5}{8}$ per cent.	241 67
March 16. \$1,600, 1 year at 4 per cent,	64 00
March 30. \$4,000, 18 mos. at 4 per cent,	240 00
April 1. \$10,000, 3 mos. 13 days at 5 per cent	143 06
April 22. \$10,000, 8 mos. at $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent,	225 00
April 22. \$5,000, 1 year at $3\frac{7}{8}$ per cent,	193 75
April 29. \$15,000, 6 mos. at $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent,	318 75
April 29. Commission on above at $\frac{1}{8}$ per cent	18 75
May 3. \$3,000, 7 mos. 21 days at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	67 37
June 12. \$9,300, 1 year at 4 per cent,	372 00
July 1. \$5,000, 1 year at 4 per cent,	200 00
Oct. 14. \$10,000, 6 mos. at 4 per cent,	200 00
Oct. 14. \$500, 17 mos. 19 days at 5 per cent	36 76
Oct. 29. \$15,000, 6 mos. at $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent,	281 25
Dec. 12. \$5,000, 1 year at 4 per cent,	200 00
Dec. 21. \$10,000, 4 mos. at $2\frac{7}{100}$,	91 33
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	3,233 69
Amount unexpended	<hr/>
	\$422 95

The interest on the Coddington Fund, \$64.00, not being applicable for any purpose other than school uses, is not included in the above showing.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

LIABILITIES.

Treasury notes :

Turner Free Library, 4 per cent	\$5,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent	10,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent	5,000 00
Randolph Sinking Fund, 4 per cent	4,000 00
Coddington Fund, 4 per cent	1,600 00
Nine coupon notes (Allen Street and Highland Avenue), 4 per cent	8,500 00
Three notes (Liberty and Lafayette Streets), 4 per cent	6,300 00
One note (Liberty, North and Lafayette Streets), 4 per cent	3,000 00
One note (renewal) $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent,	15,000 00
Three notes (anticipation of taxes)	18,000 00
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	\$76,400 00
Interest on above notes (estimated)	345 33
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	\$76,745 33

ASSETS.

Salt marsh, Quincy	\$300 00
Unpaid taxes of 1896	6,636 13
Unpaid taxes of 1897	17,492 85
Interest due on taxes (estimated)	1,685 00
State aid to be refunded	2,624 50

Military aid to be refunded . . .	\$312 00	
Burial expenses to be refunded . . .	70 00	
Balance Bank and Corporation tax to be refunded (estimated) . . .	149 77	
Due from other towns . . .	365 14	
Cash in hands of Treasurer . . .	3,606 26	
	<hr/>	\$33,241 65
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1897 . . .		\$43,503 68
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1896 . . .		41,623 53
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Increase of debt in 1897 . . .		\$1,880 15

RANDOLPH, February 4, 1898.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.
R. P. BARRETT.

DR.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN

Balance on hand December 31, 1896 . . . \$4,162 68

Receipts:

From town notes, money borrowed . . . 67,000 00

Taxes of 1895 . . . \$5,936 20

1896 . . . 11,000 00

1897 . . . 24,500 00

41,436 20

State Treasurer:

Massachusetts school fund . . . \$262 57

corporation tax:

Balance of 1896 . . . \$9 81

Of 1897 . . . 3,485 68

3,495 49

National Bank tax . . . 1,908 72

military aid refunded . . . 236 00

State aid refunded . . . 2,724 00

burial State pauper . . . 15 00

burial indigent soldier . . . 35 00

one-half salary of inspector . . . 50 00

8,726 78

Selectmen for sundry accounts . . . 1,071 25

other towns, pauper support:

Holbrook, bill of 1896 . . . \$566 66

Holbrook, bill of 1897 . . . 386 01

Avon . . . 12 50

Boston . . . 5 08

Brockton . . . 21 00

Quincy . . . 7 25

998 50

interest on deposits in banks . . . \$52 48

on taxes . . . 904 16

956 64

dog money refunded . . . 447 88

licenses, various kinds . . . 16 00

School Committee:

interest on Coddington fund . . . \$64 00

sale of desks . . . 2 05

66 05

all other sources:

Court fees: Quincy . . . \$175 73

Dedham . . . 12 00

\$187 73

sale of documents . . . 2 00

189 73\$125,071 71

ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

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Expenditures :

Paid treasury notes	\$64,500 00
1066 town orders	56,640 56

Court fees :

M. F. Sullivan	\$13 22
Thomas Farrell	36 77
T. B. Jones	9 72
E. F. Knight	78 50
F. W. Vye	15 79
A. H. Holbrook	10 37
E. L. Payne	3 22

167 59

Paid for records of births, marriages and deaths :

Ralph Houghton	\$11 25
J. B. Wren	7 25
M. M. Poole	25
W. M. Babbitt	25
C. C. Farnham	25
A. J. Holt	25
D. F. Kinnier	2 50
F. C. Granger	9 50
A. L. Chase	3 25
Richard Forrest	15 00
Joseph T. Leahy	57 05

106 80

Paid for rebinding, indexing and new record books,

48 50

Paid for notification of representative . . .

2 00

Cash in hands of Treasurer December 31, 1897 .

3,606 26

 \$125,071 71

CONDENSED MONTHLY STATEMENTS.

MONTHS.	RECEIPTS.					EXPENDITURES.				BALANCE.	
	Taxes.	Selectmen, sundry accounts.	Money bor- rowed on town notes.	Interest.	Other towns, pauper account.	State Treasurer.	All other sources.	Orders of Selectmen.	Court fees, B. M. & D., etc.		Town notes.
December, 1896,											
January . . .	\$500 00			\$10 68	\$579 16	\$262 57	\$447 88	\$1,023 28	\$0 75		\$4,162 68
February . . .	1,500 00				5 08		27 85	4,512 92			4,928 26
March . . .	1,500 00	\$80 55	\$14,000 00	7 07	21 00	9 81	35 71	6,815 02	30 98	\$9,000 00	1,958 95
April . . .	2,000 00	55 00	40,000 00	2 36			16 78	5,878 68	40 00	35,000 00	1,767 09
May . . .	1,500 00	36 00	3,000 00	8 43		50 00	2 90	5,504 96	6 57		2,922 55
June . . .	2,000 00	220 00		1 86			2 00	3,210 18	22 83		2,008 35
July . . .	2,000 00	69 70			7 25		82 37	2,429 15	1 50		999 20
August . . .	2,000 00	50 00					5 00	2,183 35	4 65		727 87
September . . .	3,500 00	35 80					34 00	2,929 80	46 60		594 87
October . . .	18,500 00	100 00					51 66	3,318 08	3 22	500 00	1,188 27
November . . .	2,000 00	424 20	10,000 00	14 63				6,604 08	15 49	10,000 00	15,918 63
December . . .	4,436 20			911 61	386 01	8,404 40	13 51	12,231 06	152 30	10,000 00	1,413 69
Totals, 1897 . .	\$41,436 20	\$1,071 25	\$67,000 00	\$956 64	\$998 50	\$8,726 78	\$719 66	\$56,640 56	\$324 89	\$64,500 00	\$3,606 26
* Totals, 1896, for comparison .	35,000 00	996 28	57,600 00	1,505 51	1,028 75	9,575 60	610 81	754,228 56	332 23	53,600 00	4,162 68
Balance from 1895, \$6,006 52											

* Including report of late treasurer.

† Including all payments not otherwise classified.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 1, 1897.

Pursuant to the warrant issued by the Selectmen of Randolph, dated February 15, 1897, calling on the inhabitants of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble and act on the thirty-seven articles contained therein, the qualified voters assembled in Stetson Hall on March 1, 1897.

The Town Clerk having administered the oath of office to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerks, delivered to them a package of 1,550 ballots, and took their receipt therefor.

All the requirements of law in relation to the preparation of polling booths, specimen ballots, and cards of instruction were complied with, and at six o'clock A.M. the meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and officer's return, and declared the meeting open for the transaction of business.

A full record of the same follows :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. Voted, no one dissenting, that the Town Clerk cast one ballot for John T. Flood for Moderator. Voted, to close the polls. Whole number of votes cast, one.

John T. Flood having received one vote was declared elected Moderator and at once took charge of the meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to

vote "yes" or "no" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Voted, unanimously, that we proceed to ballot for all such town officers as towns are by law authorized to choose at their annual meeting, viz. : a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, one superintending School Committee, three Auditors, seven Constables, three Fish Wardens, one Trustee Stetson School Fund, one Water Commissioner, and a Collector of Taxes ; also on same ballot to vote "yes" or "no" in answer to the question, " Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?" That the polls be kept open until two o'clock P.M. That Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37 of the warrant be referred to a committee of seven to be appointed by the Moderator, said committee to report at an adjournment of this meeting, and when this meeting adjourns it shall be to Monday, March 15, 1897, at seven o'clock P.M., for the purpose of taking action upon the report of said committee.

The Moderator appointed and administered the oath of office to the following named election officers, viz. : Deputy ballot clerks, James D. Sheridan, William A. Croak ; at check-list, Joseph J. McMahon, John H. Field ; at ballot box, Fred L. Belcher ; officers at gates, Frank J. Donahoe, Thomas Farrell ; tellers, William F. Barrett, Rufus A. Thayer, Thomas Fox, Edmund Cottle, Nelson Mann, Franklin W. Hayden, Arthur W. Alden, John E. McDonald.

The ballot box was examined and found apparently in good order ; having been shown to the meeting as being empty, it was locked and the key given to the officer at the gate. The polls were then declared open for the reception of ballots.

During the time set for balloting the ballot box was, with

the unanimous consent of the election officers, twice opened, viz.: at 8.45 o'clock, when the register showed 309 votes cast; at 11.35 o'clock, when the register showed 633 votes cast.

At two o'clock P.M. it was voted to close the polls. The check-list and ballot clerks' list each showed 816 names checked. The Moderator counted 816 ballots thrown, but the ballot box, through some irregularity, registered 840. After the close of the polls, in order to expedite the canvass of the votes, the deputy ballot clerks and assistants at the check-list were pressed into the service, forming a third group of tellers.

The ballots having been sorted and counted in open town meeting, declaration of the result was made as follows:

Whole number of votes cast 816

FOR TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

* † Joseph T. Leahy .	579	Scattering .	3
Blanks .	234		

FOR SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Harland P. Batchelder,	1	* † Peter B. Hand .	404
Winthrop B. Atherton,	308	Patrick H. McLaughlin,	393
* † Minot W. Baker .	448	* † John K. Willard .	500
Blanks .	394		

FOR SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

Edward Long .	383	* † Royal T. Mann .	404
Blanks .	29		

FOR TRUSTEE STETSON SCHOOL FUND, THREE YEARS.

Edward Long .	371	* † Royal T. Mann .	393
Blanks .	52		

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER, THREE YEARS.

Frank W. Harris .	1	James E. Foley .	324
* Daniel B. White .	438	Blanks .	53

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

* † Fred M. French .	594	Scattering	3
Blanks	219		

FOR FISH WARDENS.

* Franklin W. Hayden, 16	* † Charles A. Wales,	487
* † George W. Hawes, 394	Scattering	43
Blanks	1508	

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

* † Charles D. Baker .	398	* Herman F. McIntire,	381
* † Arthur H. Holbrook,	395	Scattering	10
Blanks	1264		

FOR CONSTABLES.

* † James E. Blanche, 469	E. Lawrence Payne .	276
* † Frank J. Donahoe, 603	* † Lincoln Stetson .	544
* † Thomas Farrell .	553	* † Michael F. Sullivan, 549
* † Joseph H. Foster, 415	Frederick W. Vye .	338
* † E. Forrest Knight, 443	Scattering	25
Blanks	1497	

ON LICENSE QUESTION.

Yes	244	No	454
Blanks	118		

* Elected. † Oath of office taken.

Committee appointed by the Moderator to report on articles referred: Asa P. French,

Charles G. Hathaway,	James Fardy,
John V. Beal,	Andrew J. Gove,
William H. Gibbons,	James Molloy.

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

During the counting of the ballots the following named officers were chosen :

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

† Daniel B. White,	Joseph T. Leahy,
Charles D. Hill,	Royal T. Mann,
Charles Prescott,	† Charles F. Bean.

POUND KEEPER.

† George R. Weaver.

FIELD DRIVERS.

James Good,	David J. Good,
Hugh J. Molloy,	Edward O'Brien,
† Joseph Foster,	Patrick Cain.

† Oath of office taken.

Article 22. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily, in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Voted, unanimously, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Randolph in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to not more than thirty-five thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum. All debts incurred under this vote (by the town) shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 23. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable for the town.

Voted, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or re-

fund any or all notes of the town now outstanding that may be now due or on demand or that may become due during the present year.

Article 25. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

Voted, to accept the list of Jurors prepared and published by the Selectmen, with the exception of the following five persons: Frank H. Jaquith, Charles A. Wales, John B. Wren, James O'Brien and Selwyn Wilbur, who are excused.

LIST OF JURORS.

Archer, Horace S.	French, Fred A.
Alden, Arthur W.	French, George M.
Arth, Ernst.	Frizzell, William.
Barrett, Redmond.	Forrest, Richard.
Batchelder, Harlan P.	Gibbons, William.
Belcher, Henry A.	Good, William.
Binney, George L.	Hagney, Arthur.
Blanche, Richard.	Holbrook, Columbus.
Burke, James.	Holbrook, Albert H.
Clark, Dexter T.	Holbrook, George W.
Casey, Peter.	Howard, Charles H.
Clark, Hugh.	Jones, Rufus.
Chessman, Samuel L.	Kiley, Patrick M.
Cole, Charles H.	King, Evander F.
Croak, William A.	Leach, John.
Curran, John.	Long, Edward.
Dennehy, Daniel D.	Mann, Edwin M.
Dolan, Charles S.	Mann, Lucius H.
Donovan, Michael A.	Macomber, Albert M.
English, Nicholas.	Mabady, William.
Elliott, George A.	McGaughey, Moses.
Field, John H.	McAuliffe, Robert.

Molloy, James.	Reynolds, George A.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Riley, Thomas.
Nichols, George H.	Scanlon, Maurice E.
Niles, Amasa S.	Sheridan, Michael.
Niles, Isaac.	Smith, Adoniram.
O'Connell, Michael J.	Snow, Hiram.
Palmer, James W.	Stetson, Francis E.
Payne, Ezra R.	Spear, William B.
Pike, Martin P.	Tabor, Edwin A.
Poole, Marcus M.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Porter, Franklin.	Twoomey, Daniel.
Porter, William.	Tolman, Nathan A.
Roberts, William R.	Young, Eddy C.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same in any way relates to the water supply.

Voted, that the Selectmen be so authorized and appointed.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1887, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Voted, that the Water Commissioners be so authorized and appointed.

The ballots, unused ballots and both check-lists were sealed

up in open town meeting, certified to by the election officers, and delivered to the Town Clerk.

Voted to adjourn till Monday, March 15, 1897.

A true record.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk*.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 15, 1897.

Agreeably to adjournment, the voters of the Town of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall on Monday evening, March 15, 1897. Promptly at seven o'clock the Moderator called the meeting to order. Few voters being present, a recess was declared for twenty minutes, and at 7.20 o'clock another recess of ten minutes was declared. At 7.30 o'clock the Moderator again called the meeting to order. The committee on appropriations presented to each voter a printed report of their recommendations as to the disposal of the various articles referred to them, and action on the same was taken as follows:

Voted, that the report as presented by the committee be accepted, and that each article be taken up in its order and acted upon.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Voted, that the reports of the several town officers for the year ending December 31, 1896, be accepted.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$9,340 be raised and appropriated as follows:

For teaching	\$7,430 00
Care of rooms	575 00
Fuel	425 00
Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and gen- eral repairs	600 00
Painting buildings	200 00
Books and supplies	850 00
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	\$10,080 00
Less estimated revenue from the dog tax, State, school tax and Coddington Fund	740 00
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Total	\$9,340 00

And that the sum of \$2,200 be raised and appropriated for Stetson High School; and in addition thereto, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the trustees, for the support of said Stetson High School, the amount of bank tax received by him and arising from the investment known as the Stetson School Fund.

It is also voted, that the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized and directed to borrow upon notes of the Town of Randolph such sums of money not exceeding three thousand dollars as may be required to pay the expenses incurred for the support of schools, including Stetson High School, from January 1, 1898, to March 1 in said year, and that said notes thus issued shall be a part and be paid from the money raised and appropriated for the support of schools for the year 1898.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$5,000 be raised and appropriated for repairs of highways, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen as follows :

General repairs, including sidewalks . . .	\$3,500 00
Paving	500 00
Removing snow	1,000 00
	<u>\$5,000 00</u>

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$13,800 be raised and appropriated therefor as follows :

Miscellaneous expenses	\$1,800 00
Poor in almshouse	1,500 00
Poor out of almshouse	3,600 00
Soldiers' relief	300 00
Soldiers' relief in Randolph and Holbrook .	800 00
Military aid	200 00
Town officers	2,400 00
Interest on town debt	2,700 00
Board of Health	150 00
Lockup expenses	200 00
Painting almshouse	150 00
Total	<u>\$13,800 00</u>

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,200 be raised and appropriated as follows :

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
For hour service at fires (estimated) . . .	225 00
For insurance	90 00
For repairs	150 00
For fires in woodland	75 00
Pay of 55 men at \$12 each	660 00
For purchase of ladder truck	1,000 00
Total	<u>\$3,200 00</u>

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G.A.R.

Voted, that the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 10. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of firemen's graves under the direction of the Veteran Fireman's Association, as petitioned for by Henry F. Rooney and others.

This article was inserted under a misapprehension of the law, which permits cities and towns to raise money to decorate the graves of only such firemen as have died in consequence of injuries received while in active service at fires, and it is therefore voted that said article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the Sinking Fund, as required by law, to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and contributed to the Sinking Fund to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan when due.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate to the payment of interest on the Randolph Water Loan.

Voted, that the sum of \$1,000 be raised and appropriated for the payment of interest on the Randolph Water Loan as it accrues on the same.

Article 14. To see what action the town will take in rela-

tion to lighting the streets by electricity, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that this article be referred to the Selectmen, to make such contract with Charles Doughty as they may deem expedient, and that the sum of \$3,430 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, which sum is to include the placing of four additional lights on West Street, between McCarty's and Mann's Corner, as petitioned for by Clarence Hagar and others.

Article 15. To see what action the town will take in relation to placing additional lights on West Street, as petitioned for by Clarence Hagar and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that this article be referred to the Selectmen in accordance with the recommendation under Article 14.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 as amended, and to unite with the town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns, in the discretion of the School Committee, to employ a Superintendent of Schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 as amended, and to unite with the town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns, if in the discretion of the School Committee it be deemed expedient to employ a Superintendent of Schools, and that the sum of \$375 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, provided that, if no arrangement under this article be effected by the School Committee before June 1st next, no amount for this purpose shall be assessed in the taxes for the current year.

Article 17. To see if the town will appoint a committee of ten to inquire into the present needs of the town with reference to school building accommodations, and to report

thereon within four months from the date of their appointment.

Voted, that a committee of ten, including the members of the school board, be appointed by the Moderator to inquire into the present needs of the town with reference to school building accommodations, and to report thereon within four months from the date of their appointment.

The Moderator appointed the following:

Asa P. French.	James E. Blanche.
Thomas A. Kennedy.	John V. Beal.
Royal T. Mann.	Edward Long.
J. White Belcher.	Morrison M. Alden.
Franklin W. Hayden.	Rufus A. Thayer.

Article 18. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to fix the boundaries on the South side of Short Street and remove all obstructions, as petitioned for by John B. Wren and others.

Voted, that this article be referred to the Board of Selectmen to take such action as they may deem expedient, and that the sum of fifty dollars be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from its present terminus on Canton Street to the residence of Lemuel Capen, as petitioned for by Thomas B. Jones and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend the water pipes as severally petitioned for in Articles 19 and 20, and that the expense thereof be met by the sale of one or more of the water bonds still remaining unsold.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from the junction of Canton Street at Old Street, through Old Street to North Main Street, as petitioned for by John Finley and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Disposed of under Article 19.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Superintendent of Streets to build a sidewalk on the easterly side of Fowler Street, as petitioned for by James F. Sullivan and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town instruct the Superintendent of Streets, under the direction of the Selectmen, to build a sidewalk on the easterly side of Fowler Street, and that the sum of \$175 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1897-98, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1897-98, and that the sum of \$120 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 26. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Voted, that three-fourths of one per cent. be allowed for the collection of taxes.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care of, and keeping in repair, the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist churches, also the clock in Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of fifty dollars be raised and appropriated for said purpose, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 28. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

This article proved to be a bone of contention. The recommendation of the committee "that the town appoint special police and raise and appropriate \$500 to pay the same," having been discussed in its various phases, a motion

to indefinitely postpone the article was placed before the house and declared by the Moderator carried in a hand vote. Seven voters, arising in their places, addressing the chair and doubting the vote, the Moderator divided the house and called upon the Clerk to count the voters as they passed the platform. The result was :

Whole number voting, 157 ; in favor of postponement, 80 ; opposed to postponement, 77, and the article was declared indefinitely postponed.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, said sum to be apportioned equally among the several physicians, and to be in full for attendance upon all persons under the care of Overseers of the Poor for one year from January 1, 1897. That is to say, each physician resident in the town on the first of March, 1897, shall receive the sum of \$50 for his services provided he makes fifty visits during the year ; after that he shall receive no compensation for his services, but shall attend such of the poor as may call upon him for his services ; those physicians who make less than fifty visits shall receive pay at the rate of one dollar for each of said visits.

Article 30. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Voted, that each person employed by the town shall receive such sum of money as is equal to the value of his labor, and that the laborers residing in town and the residents owning teams shall be employed in preference to any others.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1897.

Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 34. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a Town Treasurer may use when acting as Collector.

Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to place electric lights on High Street, from Vine to Chestnut Street, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 36. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on Allen Street, near the residence of Luther Rowe, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town instruct the Superintendent of Streets, under the direction of the Selectmen, to build a sidewalk on the southerly side of Allen Street, between the residence of S. Edgar Burrell and of Luther Rowe, and that the sum of \$150 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 37. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

Under this article, the chairman of the committee on the preparation and printing of the report of the proceedings of the Centennial Celebration of the town reported progress, and stated that the report would probably be in the hands of the printer within a fortnight.

The chairman of the committee appointed at the annual meeting of 1895 to take into consideration the matter of a fire alarm system, presented the following report :

To the Citizens of Randolph :

At the annual town meeting in March, 1895, a committee consisting of the Selectmen and Engineers of fire department was appointed to investigate and report in regard to a system of fire alarm. After meeting in relation thereto, a sub-committee was appointed to investigate, and we beg leave to submit the following report :

In regard to the matter of a system of fire alarm, it does not seem to need any argument in its favor. But in our own cases there are a few reasons that might be brought forward in favor of the same. For years we have had a very imperfect and unsatisfactory method of giving the alarm in case of fire, depending on bell on engine house No. 1, which cannot be heard plainly in any direction; or on the church bells, which cannot be reached very quickly, and in case of fires away from there, it has caused a long delay, and, as everybody knows, the first few minutes are valuable in case of fire. In case of small fires, where but part of the men and apparatus are needed, we are obliged to call out the whole department, causing unnecessary expense, which amounts to quite an amount in a year.

The firemen are called from their work, and often from their homes in the night time, when before they have hardly started they are ordered back. With a system of fire alarm the whole department or any part would be called as directed.

In making this report it is deemed unnecessary to go into the general details of a fire alarm system, as that can be done if the town should deem it advisable to have the same. In looking over this matter, the principle was adopted to cover the whole town as much as possible, so that all parts should share in the benefits derived from the same, and especially as the outer parts of the town are more in need of a system of alarm than the centre; and it would be easier to obtain extra boxes in the centre in the future, if needed, as they can be connected at any time. In looking over the town, which was done nearly a year ago, with the services of an expert in fire alarm systems, we will try and give about the route laid out and also the location of the boxes. These locations would perhaps be changed in some places, but it will give a general idea of what could be done.

The route followed was from a box in "the square," up

South Main Street to near the residence of E. F. Knight, where would be located a box; returning through Maple, South and Alden to Union Street, a box to be located in most convenient place in that locality; up Union to North Street, down North Street, a box at corner of Mill Street, a box at the corner of Liberty Street, and a box at the corner of Oak Street; through Oak Street to the "West Corner," a box at the "Corner;" through Canton to the junction of High and Canton Streets, or "Binney's Corner," a box to be located at this corner; up High to "Tower Hill," a box in this locality; through Lafayette to junction of West Street, a box at this corner, or on Extinguisher House; down West to Cross Street, a box at this corner; through Cross to Grove Street to the neighborhood of the Baptist church, a box at this locality; returning up Main Street, a box at the corner of Allen Street; to Depot Street, a box near station; up Warren and Main Street to starting point.

In following this route, it seemed as though there would be boxes within at least a half of a mile of most of the buildings in town. This question has been talked over by the different committees appointed to look up the matter of appropriation, and has always been thought favorably of. A few years ago the expense would have been much larger on account of the expense of erecting and maintaining poles, but as on the route laid out, except for a short distance, there are poles on all streets, and as most companies allow the towns the right to use their poles for fire alarm or other town uses, the cost is a great deal less at the present time.

In most places the whistles are placed on the pumping station belonging to the towns, but in our case, the station not being convenient, a satisfactory arrangement can be made for the use of a whistle, which is considered to be better than are alarms on bells. This would require about eleven miles of wire, poles, fourteen boxes, boxes in house of engineers,

etc., and everything for a complete system in working order. In giving the amount required to do this, the figures are the outside figures and will furnish the town with a fire alarm system which will compare with any town about, and be good for years to come, as we believe it is policy, in going into anything of this kind, that the best is the cheapest in the end.

We are the only town in this part of the State without a fire alarm system at the present time. In closing, we would say that the amount required to do this would not be over \$1,800 or \$2,000. We have good electric lights, good water works, electric roads, good streets, etc., and shall we be without a fire alarm system?

C. A. WALES,

for Selectmen and Engineers of Fire Department.

Voted, to accept and place on file the report of the committee on fire alarm system.

Voted, that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the subject of improved roads, and that they be empowered to visit other towns and cities to acquire information as to the construction, care and maintenance of macadamized roads; that the result of their investigation be submitted to the Selectmen, who shall cause the same to be published in the next annual town report.

The Moderator appointed as this committee: Patrick H. McLaughlin, Seth D. Bradley and Rufus A. Thayer.

Voted, that the sum of twenty dollars be paid John T. Flood for his services as Moderator.

Mr. Flood, having expressed his thanks, directed the Selectmen to pay that amount to Post 110, G.A.R., as his contribution to its monument fund.

The total appropriations:

For support of schools, under Article 5 . . .	\$11,540 00
highways, under Article 6 . . .	5,000 00
general town expenses, under Article 7 . . .	13,800 00
Fire Department, under Article 8 . . .	3,200 00
Grand Army Post No. 110, under Article 9, . . .	100 00
contributions to sinking fund, under Article 11, . . .	3,000 00
water for hydrants, street service, etc., un- der Article 12	2,000 00
interest on Water Loan, under Article 13 . . .	1,000 00
street lighting by electricity, under Article 14, . . .	3,430 00
improvement of Short Street, under Article 18, . . .	50 00
construction of sidewalk on Fowler Street, under Article 21	175 00
Town Treasurer's bond, under Article 24 . . .	120 00
care of clocks, under Article 27 . . .	50 00
medical attendance, under Article 29 . . .	300 00
construction of sidewalk on Allen Street, under Article 36	150 00
State tax	1,645 00
county tax	2,305 71
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	\$47,865 71

Voted, at nine o'clock P.M., to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

You are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in state elections, to assemble in Stetson Hall, in said town, on Tues-

day, the second day of November next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes to the Selectmen, on one ballot, for Governor; for Lieutenant-Governor; for Secretary of the Commonwealth; for Treasurer and Receiver-General; for Auditor; for Attorney-General; for Councillor for district number two; for Senator for the first Norfolk district; for a Representative in General Court for the seventh Norfolk district; for County Treasurer in and for the County of Norfolk; for Register of Deeds in and for the County of Norfolk.

The polls for the reception of the ballots aforesaid will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and will be kept open for four hours, and such further time as the voters shall determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the *Randolph Register and Holbrook News*, a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this eighteenth day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN K. WILLARD,
PETER B. HAND,
M. WALES BAKER,

Selectmen of Randolph.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, November 1, 1897.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by

posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town, eight days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the *Randolph Register and Holbrook News*, a newspaper published in said town.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT,

Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

STATE ELECTION.

RANDOLPH, November 2, 1897.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the legal voters of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall on Tuesday, November 2, 1897. All the preliminaries required by law in relation to the polling-booths, cards and specimen ballots were complied with. The presiding officer administered the oath of office to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson as ballot clerks, and delivered to them a package containing 1,300 ballots, taking their receipt. Thomas Farrell and Frank J. Donahoe were appointed officers at the gates.

Promptly at six o'clock, John K. Willard, the presiding officer, called the meeting to order, read the warrant and officer's return, and declared the polls open for the reception of ballots. The ballot-box, having been examined, found apparently in good order, and shown to the meeting as being empty, was locked and the key surrendered to the officer at the gate.

Edward T. Hand and William A. Croak were appointed deputy ballot clerks, and Fred M. French assistant at check-list, and the oath was administered to each by the presiding officer. The oath of office was administered by the Town

Clerk to the following named persons, appointed by the Selectmen election tellers :

Royal T. Mann,	Patrick H. McLaughlin,
Franklin W. Hayden,	John H. Field,
Fred L. Belcher,	John E. McDonald,
William W. Hurley,	Nelson Mann.

During the day and before the close of the polls, the ballot box was, with the unanimous consent of the election officers, opened four times, viz. :

At 8.09 A.M., when the register showed 165 ballots cast.

At 8.57 A.M., when the register showed 219 ballots cast.

At 9.57 A.M., when the register showed 311 ballots cast.

At 11.17 A.M., when the register showed 406 ballots cast.

It was voted, that the polls be kept open until two o'clock and that they be closed at that hour. Promptly at two o'clock the polls were closed.

The register of the ballot box showed 584 ballots cast; the presiding officer counted out 584 ballots; the ballot clerks' list and the check-list used by the election officers each showed 584 names checked. The ballot box worked with perfect satisfaction all through the day, and, as the result proved, registered correctly.

The ballots having been sorted and counted, declaration of the result was made as follows :

Whole number of votes cast 584

FOR GOVERNOR.

John Bascom 9	George Fred Williams, 209
Thomas C. Brophy 7	Roger Wolcott 292
William Everett 40	Blanks 27

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Edward A. Buckland 11	W. Murray Crane 265
Christopher T. Callahan, 183	Willard O. Wylie 14
James E. Cotter 74	Blanks 37

FOR SECRETARY.

Addison W. Barr	. 10	Edwin Sawtell	. 8
Charles D. Nash	. 207	Bernard M. Wolf	. 28
William M. Olin	. 264	Blanks	. 67

FOR TREASURER.

George A. Brown	. 13	Horace P. Tobey	. 38
Robert C. Habberly	. 7	Thomas A. Watson	. 190
Edward P. Shaw	. 269	Blanks	. 67

FOR AUDITOR.

Joseph Ballam	. 9	Joseph H. Sheldon	. 196
Harry Douglas	. 31	Herbert M. Small	. 4
John W. Kimball	. 265	Blanks	. 79

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Wolcott Hamlin	. 6	William M. McClench,	39
William Harrison	. 7	John A. O'Keefe	. 202
Hosea M. Knowlton	. 267	Blanks	. 63

FOR COUNCILLOR, SECOND DISTRICT.

Dana Estes	. 34	George O. Wentworth,	211
Benjamin S. Lovell	. 275	Blanks	. 64

FOR SENATOR, FIRST NORFOLK.

Harrison O. Apthorp	. 36	Tristram R. Newell	. 215
James H. Flint	. 268	Blanks	. 65

FOR REPRESENTATIVE, SEVENTH NORFOLK.

Henry A. Belcher	. 332	James E. Foley	. 225
Blanks	. 27		

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

James Hewins	. 409	James E. Foley	. 1
Blanks	. 174		

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin	. 418	Scattering	. . . 2
Blanks	. . .		164

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Charles H. Smith	. 405	Blanks	. . . 179
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After the declaration of the vote, the ballots, unused ballots and check-lists were sealed up in open town meeting and delivered to the Town Clerk, returns were made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and Clerk of Courts, and at 4.20 P.M. the meeting was dissolved.

A true record.

Attest : JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

MEETING OF TOWN CLERKS.

RANDOLPH, November 12, 1897.

We, the undersigned Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph, comprising Representative District number seven in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at an election duly held at the respective towns aforesaid on the second day of November, 1897, to vote for one representative in the General Court, the following votes were given for the following persons, viz. :

Whole number of votes in the district	. . .	1,025
Henry A. Belcher, of Randolph, had	. . .	604
James E. Foley, of Randolph, had	. . .	377
Blanks	. . .	44

And Henry A. Belcher was declared elected.

MORTIMER D. RICHARDSON, *Town Clerk of Avon.*

GEORGE T. WILDE, *Town Clerk of Holbrook.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk of Randolph.*

The vote by towns :

	Avon.	Holbrook.	Randolph.	Totals.
Henry A. Belcher	107	165	332	604
James E. Foley	93	59	225	377
Blanks	7	10	27	44
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	207	234	584	1,025

APPOINTMENTS RECORDED BY THE TOWN CLERK IN 1897.

Superintendent of Almshouse : George R. Weaver.

Agent of Board of Health : Joseph T. Leahy.

Inspector of Animals and Provisions : Dr. A. L. Chase.

Field Driver : Adoniram A. Payne.

Superintendent of Streets : Stillman B. Woodman.

Keepers of Lockup : Colin Boyd, Arthur W. Alden.

Sealer of Weights and Measures : Dexter T. Clark.

Burial Agent : William A. Croak.

Registrar of Voters : James Fardy.

Engineers of Fire Department : Charles A. Wales, W. A. Croak, D. J. Brennan, * John Haney, Cornelius Desmond, James E. Blanche.

Special Police : E. Lawrence Payne, Thomas J. Kiernan, George E. Easton, Frank W. Harris, Albert H. Holbrook, George H. Stetson, Thomas B. Jones, William Pulson, Fred W. Vye, Richard F. Forrest, Frank H. Cullen, Leonard Pierce, Edgar B. Makepeace, † Edwin F. Knight.

Jurors drawn.—Grand : Arthur Hagney. Traverse : Geo. H. Nichols, Patrick M. Kiley, Charles S. Dolan, George L. Binney, Rufus A. Thayer, George M. French. Massachusetts District Court,—Grand : Robert McAuliffe, Adoniram Smith. Petit : James Burke, John H. Field, Eddy C. Young.

* Resigned.

† With pay.

REPORT ON TOWN RECORDS.

The report of the Town Clerk is of a more extended nature than is customary, for two reasons : Firstly, because of recent changes affecting his duties made in laws which are explained in detail later on ; secondly, being considered opportune in view of the recent publication of the proceedings at the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of Randolph as a town.

The first and principal reason is fully explained in Chapter 439, Section 6, Acts of 1897.

Every person having the custody of any public records of a county, city or town, consisting of written or printed books, shall, at the expense of the county, city or town have all such books properly and substantially bound and shall have any such book left incomplete made up and completed from the files and usual memoranda, so far as it can be done, and shall have any such books becoming worn, mutilated or illegible, seasonably renovated, repaired or rebound, and fair and legible copies seasonably made, and may cause any such books to be placed in the custody of the Commissioner of Public Records, who shall have the work done at the expense of the county, city or town in a proper and substantial manner.

Section 4 of the same chapter further provides that "every report of any agent of city, town or county relating to bridges, highways, streets, townways, etc., not required by law to be entered in a book and not so entered, shall be safely kept," etc.

A compliance with these laws has entailed an overhauling of every record in our possession, and as a fruit of the labor is here presented a general summary of the condition of the town records :

The records of town meetings go back in an unbroken series to March 18, 1793, and are all in an excellent state of

preservation. The book containing the oldest records was used as a memorandum by Town Clerk, Selectmen, and Treasurer, as the following partial table of contents shows: Records of town meetings, of deeds, of poor let out at vendue, of sales of salt meadow grass, of marriages and marriage intentions, of sales of jewelry, etc., of strayed beasts and property found, of perambulations, of militia lists, of census, etc.

The first writing in our possession is as follows :

"1793.

"Whereas, by an Act of the General Court of this Commonwealth, that incorporated the south precinct of Braintree in the County of Suffolk into a town by the name of Randolph, I, the subscriber am authorized to issue a warrant to one of the principal inhabitants of the said town of Randolph for the purpose of calling a town meeting in the said town of Randolph.

"To Samuel Bass, Esq. : You, sir, pursuant to the said Act are hereby requested to warn and give notice to all the inhabitants of the said town of Randolph who are qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble and meet at the meeting house in the said town of Randolph on the first day of April next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to choose all such officers as towns in this Commonwealth are required to choose at their annual town meeting in the month of March or April, annually.

"Given under my hand at Braintree aforesaid, this eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand, seven hundred and ninety-three.

SAMUEL NILES,

Justice of the Peace."

Pursuant to this warrant, a warrant was issued by Samuel Bass, calling two town meetings on the same day, one in the

forenoon to choose town officers, and one in the afternoon to vote for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and six Senators for the County of Suffolk.

Following this are the records of town meetings in consecutive order to the year 1820, when the following entry is found :

"It appears necessary those books containing town records should not be much defaced, the first part of this book starts some from the binding, the last part has been used as a memorandum and further it is much more convenient keeping records on books lined than plain. The Clerk has for the above reasons purchased another book to be kept exclusively for record of the proceedings of town meetings from A.D. 1820 the succeeding years."

Accordingly, the old book, though not more than one half filled, was used for no further records of town meetings, but the practice of entering the various memoranda therein was continued until 1842, when a more systematic plan was originated and continued with various enlargements and improvements to the present day. While commenting on the old records, although realizing that this report is not intended for such a purpose, the Clerk could not resist the inclination to submit a few prominent features. On the last page of the book, occupying a space not more than an inch in width, is recorded the census of 1800.

Inhabitants of Randolph, 1800, August 1 :

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Above 45 years,	75	84	159
Between 26 and 45 years,	91	111	202
Between 16 and 26 years,	90	93	183
Between 10 and 16 years,	89	68	157
Under 10 years,	170	149	319
One negro girl,			1
			<hr/> 1,021

Again, in marked contrast to the value of salt meadow grass, which is practically worthless at the present day, is shown the prices realized in various years, taken at random :

1802, \$51.50	1807, \$85.90	1818, \$77.75 .
1806, 78.10	1811, 68.50	1838, 64.76

According to the records of 1793, men received for town work four shillings per day to August 1, and three shillings per day thereafter. The amount of money appropriated each year averaged \$700 for town expenses and \$500 for schools.

The report of the committee appointed to settle with their retiring treasurer in 1807 consisted of nine items amounting to \$1,263.46.

With features similar to the foregoing the records are replete, and are of interest by way of contrast with those of today ; but, however much the Clerk would like to present them, lack of space forbids. These few passages are mentioned to relieve somewhat the "stiffness" of a town report, and, if the public so desires, will pave the way for more extended notes in future reports.

Another feature which is deemed worthy of mention is the fact that numbers of our citizens, through no fault of their own, have no knowledge of our town by-laws, and to enlighten them as well as to keep the by-laws before the public, which the Clerk thinks should be done by frequent publication, a copy of the same is presented :

BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

"I. No person except the Selectmen, the Surveyors of Highways in the lawful performance of their duties, or those acting under their orders, shall break or dig up the ground in any street or public way in the town without first obtaining a written permit from the Selectmen ; and all persons acting under such permit shall put up and maintain a suitable railing or fence around the part of the street so broken

up, so long as the same shall remain unsafe or inconvenient for travelers, and he or they shall keep one or more lighted lanterns fixed to such railing or fence, or in some other way, exposed every night from twilight in the evening through the whole night, so long as such street or way shall be or remain unsafe or inconvenient for travelers.

"II. No building shall be removed over a public street or way without written permission from the Selectmen; and the Selectmen, before granting permission to move a building, shall ascertain if the proposed removal can be made without injury or destruction to trees, shrubs, or other fixture of ornament or utility, belonging to the public or to individuals; and they may require the applicant to furnish satisfactory security to indemnify the town, or any individuals whose right may be affected, for any damage caused by said removal.

"III. No person shall make any indecent figures or write any indecent or obscene words upon any wall, post or building, or in any public place.

"IV. No person shall ride, drive, or suffer a horse under his control to go at an immoderate or unreasonable rate, in any street or public place within the town, so as thereby to endanger the life, safety, or convenience of any person properly using any street or public place aforesaid.

"V. No person shall maliciously deface, remove, or destroy any bill, notice or advertisement concerning public affairs, unless the same shall be affixed to premises owned by him, or under his control; nor shall any person remove or deface any notice, advertisement, or handbill which has been posted up by permission of the Selectmen, or of the owners of the property to which the same shall be affixed.

"VI. No person shall be allowed to pasture, or suffer to run at large, any horse, cattle, or other grazing animal, upon any of the streets or public places in the town, either with or without a keeper, except within the limits of such street

adjoining his own premises, and in such manner as not to interfere with the rights of the public therein.

"VII. No person shall coast with a sled or runners, kick football, or play at any game in which a ball of any kind is used, or throw any stones or shoot with or use a bow and arrow in any of the public streets of the town.

"VIII. No person shall set fire to, or cause to burn or explode, any fire-works, India crackers, torpedoes, or other explosive articles, or discharge any firearms or cannon in any public street or way, or near to any vehicle passing thereon, or to any dwelling house not owned or occupied by himself, except in the performance of some legal duty.

"IX. No person except those having the care of the highways shall at any time set fire to any bushes, leaves, grass or other combustible substance in any of the streets of the town; nor near to any fence or building not owned or occupied by himself.

"X. No person shall swim or bathe in any of the waters within or surrounding the town, so as to be exposed to view in a nude state from any dwelling house, or to persons on any public way.

"XI. No person shall behave in a rude or disorderly manner, or use any profane, indecent, or insulting language, in any public street or place in the town, nor near any dwelling house or other building therein; nor shall three or more persons continue to stand in a group, or near each other on any sidewalk, or in any public place so as to obstruct a free passage for foot passengers, after having been requested by a constable or police officer to move on; nor shall any person by any noise, gesture, or other means, wantonly and designedly frighten or start any horse in any street or public place in the town.

"XII. No person shall obstruct the free and convenient use for travel of any public street, sidewalk or footpath by

leaving or fastening a horse or carriage so that the way will be obstructed or rendered inconvenient, or by occupying the same with vehicles, wares or merchandise.

"XIII. No person shall deposit in or upon any public street, place or sidewalk in the town any stones, dirt, ashes, shavings or rubbish of any kind without permission from the Selectmen.

"XIV. The Selectmen shall appoint three or more police officers, pursuant to Public Statutes, Chap. 27, Sec. 85, who, in addition to their other duties required by the laws of the Commonwealth, shall make complaints and carry into execution any judgments for violations of these by-laws. The compensation of such police officers shall be fixed by the Selectmen.

"XV. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of the foregoing sections of this article, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence a sum not less than one dollar nor more than twenty dollars; and all money so recovered shall be paid into the treasury of the town."

Turning aside from the records of town meetings, we have confronting us the records of births, marriages, intentions of marriage and deaths. In the year 1844, an act of Legislature was passed requiring town clerks to keep a complete and separate record of all births, marriages and deaths. Prior to that time, no attempt worthy of the name was made to record anything but marriages and marriage intentions, and of these, while we have a fairly good record, it is by no means a complete one. As to records of births and deaths, previous to 1844, they are so very meagre that they are of little value in tracing genealogy. Attempts have been made by the Clerk to acquire missing data, but with little success. From 1844 to the present day we have a very good record in all departments, and while some omissions may have been

made, they have been the exception rather than the rule. To any person having knowledge of such omission, I would say that ample provision for rectifying the same is made in Chapter 444, Section 14, Acts of 1897, and the State authorities desire that we urge all who can supply missing data to do so at once. The old records of births, deaths, marriages and intentions of marriage were never indexed; even when compelled by the law of 1844 to make complete records, no index was supplied until 1853; so that a record previous to 1853 had no corresponding index, neither was there an index of marriage intentions from 1793 to the present day. This deficiency is not justly attributable to any one town clerk; each performed the duties laid down for him by law, and it is only on account of the recent laws, before mentioned, to explain how they affect us, and what has caused the extra item of expense in the Treasurer's report, that the subject is here presented. The Clerk has undertaken to supply the various indexes; and in addition to the expense of indexing there has been that of rebinding of the records of births, marriages and deaths from 1844 to 1853; also of the records of marriages in present use; there was, furthermore, a new book made to order for the canvass of births, as required by Chapter 444, Section 5, Acts of 1897.

All the record books are now in good condition, but the work of indexing is not yet finished; it is, however, being completed as rapidly as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, .
Town Clerk.

TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1897.

The number of intentions of marriage, marriages, births and deaths recorded during the year 1897 was as follows :

MONTHS.	Intentions of Marriage.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.
January	1	1	11	6
February	3	3	4	6
March	2	2	8	9
April	2	2	9	6
May			3	6
June	4	4	4	4
July	3	3	5	9
August	1	1	3	5
September	6	6	9	6
October	6	6	5	7
November	4	3	6	6
December	2	2	4	3
Totals	34	33	71	73
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Whole number of births recorded				71
Males			41	
Females			30	
			—	71
Parents, both native born			42	
both foreign born			13	
one native, one foreign.			16	
			—	71
Whole number of deaths				73
Males			33	
Females			40	
			—	73
Under 5 years of age			8	
Between 5 and 10 years			0	
10 and 20 years			2	
20 and 30 years			4	
30 and 40 years			5	
40 and 50 years			8	
50 and 60 years			10	
60 and 70 years			7	
70 and 80 years			17	
80 and 90 years			12	
			—	73
Whole number of intentions of marriage				34
Whole number of marriages				33
Couples both native born			23	
both foreign born			3	
one foreign, one native			7	
			—	33

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1897.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Jan. 27.	David J. Good . . .	Randolph . . .	34
	Mary A. Dunn . . .	Cambridge . . .	27
Feb. 3.	Andrew F. Hewins . . .	Randolph . . .	21
	Mabel G. Hayden . . .	Randolph . . .	19
20.	Weston L. Mann . . .	Randolph . . .	26
	Marian E. Buttrick . . .	Reading . . .	26
27.	Hugh J. Molloy . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	Mary L. Hart . . .	Weymouth . . .	28
March 3.	James M. Chick . . .	Randolph . . .	36
	Sarah L. Thompson . . .	Randolph . . .	24
13.	Thomas P. Kiley . . .	Randolph . . .	30
	Alice Holbrook . . .	Randolph . . .	18
April 7.	George A. Roel . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Lilla H. Jones . . .	Holbrook . . .	21
28.	Harry H. Lyons . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	Emma V. May . . .	Avon . . .	20
June 5.	W. Everett Poole . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Olive E. De Costa . . .	Randolph . . .	25
8.	Edwin Howard Beach . . .	Springfield . . .	45
	Alice Montgomery Turner . . .	Randolph . . .	39
21.	David S. Brown . . .	Randolph . . .	22
	Lottie F. Nightingale . . .	Brockton . . .	21
30.	Thomas S. O'Brien . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Rosella G. Foley . . .	Randolph . . .	24
July 1.	Thomas F. Dolan . . .	Randolph . . .	36
	Katherine J. Pope . . .	Randolph . . .	27
1.	Rufus E. Mann . . .	Randolph . . .	42
	Mary Grattan (Kean) . . .	Randolph . . .	30
11.	Louis B. Goeres . . .	Randolph . . .	29
	Abby G. Harris . . .	Randolph . . .	26
Aug. 10.	William E. Ireland . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Georgianna C. Knight . . .	Randolph . . .	22

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Sept.	1. Percy H. Thomson . . .	Holbrook . . .	21
	Edith A. Ruggles . . .	Randolph . . .	21
	11. Augustus Bolin . . .	Randolph . . .	41
	Hannah Anderson . . .	Randolph . . .	34
	16. Jeremiah F. Buckley . . .	Bridgewater . . .	33
	Katherine A. Reilly . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	28. Frederick G. Winnett . . .	Randolph . . .	46
	Annie A. Jarvis . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	29. William H. Young . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Nellie L. Snow . . .	Quincy . . .	18
Oct.	30. John J. Sullivan . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	Mary E. Dempsey . . .	Canton . . .	28
	6. Edgar G. Furber . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	Edith M. Beal . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	6. John E. Eagan . . .	Randolph . . .	19
	Ella A. Polliquin . . .	Holbrook . . .	16
	6. Augustus S. Nye . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Alice C. Clapp . . .	Dorchester . . .	22
	18. Frederick W. McCarter . . .	Holbrook . . .	24
	Flora A. Thayer . . .	Randolph . . .	25
Nov.	28. Michael J. McCarthy . . .	Randolph . . .	22
	Margaret J. Crowley . . .	Cambridge . . .	21
	30. Hans Hansen . . .	Avon . . .	31
	Alice M. Baker . . .	Randolph . . .	17
	3. Henry Ward Perry . . .	New York . . .	28
	Edith Howard . . .	Randolph . . .	26
Dec.	24. Martin Nelson . . .	Randolph . . .	22
	Edith Pope . . .	Avon . . .	23
	25. Fred E. Bixby . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Gertrude H. Harriman . . .	Randolph, Me. . .	21
	6. John Sandstadt . . .	Boston . . .	28
	Catharine Reardon . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	28. Herbert A. Porter . . .	Braintree . . .	20
	Hattie I. Stetson . . .	Randolph . . .	16

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1897.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Jan. 5.	John H. Walsh .	M.	John B. and Mary E.—Dwyer
11.	Dorothy G. Fischer .	F.	Julius F. and Elizabeth—Kraut
12.	Harold F. McCarthy .	M.	Dennis E. and Annie F.—Harris
14.		M.	
16.	Charles J. Gallagher .	M.	Joseph C. and Hannah J. —Sullivan
18.	Melville W. Soule .	M.	Otis L. and Carrie M.—Hunt
20.	Gertrude F. Sullivan .	F.	Patrick J. and Mary E.—Brennan
20.	Edward J. Brunt .	M.	Robert J. and Mary—O'Brien
25.	Clinton W. Dushame .	M.	Peter and Hattie—Higgins
25.		F.	
31.	Levi E. Holbrook .	M.	Edgar C. and Gertrude L.—Lynch
Feb. 8.	Anne Madigan .	F.	Patrick H. and Ellen—Scanlon
18.	Irene E. Mullins .	F.	Patrick H. and Mary E.—Boyle
19.	Anne Gill .	F.	John F. and Julia—Mulligan
20.	Francis Desmond .	M.	John and Annie—Bresnihan
Mar. 11.	Alice May Manning .	F.	John T. and Lizzie M.—Green
15.	Frank D. Macauley .	M.	Frank E. and Metta—Fischer
15.	Mary Morgan .	F.	Edward H. and Bridget A.—Shay
18.	Charles F. Robinson .	M.	Walter H. and Annie—Haslar
22.	Arthur F. Langley .	M.	Omar W. and Sarah E.—Stetson
24.	Charles R. Huke .	M.	Robert and Lyda—Allard
26.	E. Raymund Long .	M.	Edward and Annie E.—Prior
26.	Walter Nix .	M.	Patrick and Annie—Ballyntyne
April 2.	Bernice Eldora Ware .	F.	Charles H. and Cora B.—Esterbrook
6.	Charles H. Patten .	M.	Thomas F. and Sarah—Devine
11.	Albert G. Powderly .	M.	E. Albert and Sarah J.—McGaughey
16.	Edward J. Sullivan .	M.	James F. and Elizabeth J.—Sullivan
17.	George W. Young .	M.	Harry H. and Anna J.—Lane
23.	Eleanor M. Roberts .	F.	Allen N. and Eleanor A.—Warne
24.	Dwight W. Boyd .	M.	Harvey W. and M. Alice—Nichols
25.	Alice M. Keith .	F.	Richard F. and Susan A.—Dench
29.	Thomas Murray .	M.	Thomas F. and Margaret T.—Carroll
May 13.	Charles A. Roel .	M.	George and Lilla H.—Jones
26.	James Tierney .	M.	Michael and Katie—Tobin
31.	Russell K. Cole .	M.	Willie H. and Stella A.—Hawes
June 12.	Mildred M. Burrell .	F.	George P. and Susie E.—Jones
14.	Laura G. Holbrook .	F.	Martin G. and Ida M.—Cox
21.	Augustus Forrest .	M.	Richard and Mary E.—Kane
29.	— Richards .	F.	John and Annie—Hafin
July 4.	L. Calverta Eddy .	F.	Eli and Ella—Bridge
12.	Jeannette Hollis .	F.	Berty I. and Lena—Sloan
22.	Helen DeCota .	F.	Louis and Mary H.—Welsh
24.	Willie Doyon .	M.	Omar and Mary—Moran

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July 26.	James B. Dowd . . .	M.	James and Elizabeth—Carney
Aug. 1.	John Curry . . .	M.	Hugh and Margaret—Troy
5.	Beatrice Costello . . .	F.	James F. and Lillian—Carter
20.	Ruth E. Libby . . .	F.	H. Frank and Ella—Edwards
Sept. 12.	Arthur George White . . .	M.	Lewis E. and Ada B.—Buchanan
7.	— Stone . . .	F.	Charles and Mary J.—Marsh
8.	Ruth L. Mann . . .	F.	Moses F. and Julia A.—Delano
12.	Joseph Dench . . .	M.	Joseph J. and Mary—Dennehy
13.	Marian Truelson . . .	F.	H. Christian and Marian—Neilson
13.	Barbara Hoyer . . .	F.	Patrick H. and Mary E.—Heney
14.	Helen Roddan . . .	F.	John T. and Ellen M.—Sullivan
16.	Elmer L. French . . .	M.	George W. and Minnie W.—Paine
30.	Charles Desmond . . .	M.	Jeremiah J. and Maria L.—Whitty
Oct. 1.	William Leahy . . .	M.	Joseph T. and Sarah A.—Farquhar
5.	Annie Brown . . .	F.	John J. and Annie M.—Mackedon
21.	George C. Eddy . . .	M.	George H. and Carrie—Holbrook
25.	Helen Rooney . . .	F.	John W. and Alice G.—Foley
28.	Elvra Holt . . .	F.	Albert J. and Florence I.—Putney
Nov. 4.	Grace E. Scannell . . .	F.	Dennis N. and Mary A.—Fahey
9.	Alvin E. Arnold . . .	M.	Edward and Lizzie C.—Brown
10.		F.	
16.	David J. Good . . .	M.	David J. and Mary A.—Dunn
21.	Margaret Dean . . .	F.	Patrick H. and Elizabeth—Coakley
29.	Norman H. Elliot . . .	M.	George A. and Sibyl—DeCosta
Dec. 3.	Carroll Hinckley . . .	M.	Charles H. and Nellie M.—Feeney
19.	Robert Emmett Corcoran, . . .	M.	Timothy and Mary A.—Callahan
23.	Timothy O'Neil . . .	M.	Bartholomew and Hannah—Mahoney
30.	— Bolin . . .	M.	Augustus and Hannah—Anderson

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1897.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Jan. 5.	Martin F. Smith .	42			Fatty degeneration of heart .	Randolph
7.	Abigail Holbrook .	74	11	3	Old age	Braintree
9.	Samuel A. Capen .	60	4	28	Heart disease . . .	Braintree
15.	Rose A. Chessman .	83	11	26	Old age	Sharon
28.	Joseph P. Beals .	78	11	12	Abdominal tumor .	Randolph
29.	Maggie Shea .	27			Pulmonary tuberculosis	Randolph
Feb. 4.	Harold Shea .		4		Tubercular meningitis,	Lynn
15.	Susan F. Hunt .	55	6	16	Pneumonia, exhaustion	Randolph
21.	Ellen McLaughlin .	79			Senility	Ireland
22.	Annie Gill .		3		Infantile	Randolph
23.	Mary E. Hoye .	28	4	13	Morbus cordis . . .	Stoughton
28.	Cornelius Ahearn .	67			Chronic bronchitis .	Ireland
Mar. 1.	Bridget McGrane .	45			Cancer	Ireland
5.	Horace S. Archer .	66	3	6	Carbuncle at base brain	Allentown, Me.
12.	Edith A. Taylor .	44	2	15	Bright's disease . .	W. Eaton, N.Y.
12.	Mary McDonald .	79			Fracture of hip . .	Ireland
13.	Margaret Hurley .	40			Phthisis	Randolph
24.	Abbie M. Hayden .	56	9	25	Uterine cancer . . .	So. Braintree
25.	Joanna M. O'Brien .	42		4	Morbus cordis . . .	Randolph
26.	Moses Jones .	73		15	Abscess of liver . .	Braintree
27.	Eliza Knox .	86	11	12	Pneumonia	Newcastle, N.H.
April 1.	Bridget Powderly .	78			Pneumonia	Ireland
2.	John Wales .	84	8	19	Cerebral hemorrhage .	Randolph
14.	William J. Carroll .	30		5	Consumption	Belmont
19.	Elvira Jones .	68	1	12	Heart disease . . .	Boden, Me.
24.	John L. Burke .	51	10	16	Accidental fall . . .	Randolph
29.	— Murray .				Infantile	Randolph
May 1.	Louisa Poole .	76				
11.	Maurice Kiley .	82			Cystitis	Ireland
18.	Margaret Murray .	2	10		Tubercular meningitis,	Randolph
28.	Margaret J. McMahon,	30	11		Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
28.	Charles F. Howard .	53	11	23	Softening of the brain,	Randolph
30.	Philip Reilly .	54			Tuberculosis	Ireland
June 1.	Frank Chilis .	28			Heart disease	Italy
19.	Margaret O'Brien .	47	10	4	Acute mania	Ireland
25.	Royal French .	56	10	25	Suicide	Randolph
29.	Eliza Cahill .	75	1	25	Abdominal tumor . .	Ireland
July 5.	Julia A. Belcher .	72	11	21	Acute mania	Randolph
6.	Francis Heney .		6	29	Marasmus	Randolph
11.	Nathaniel Howard .	80	2	13	Mollities cerebri . .	Easton
12.	Ellen Butler .	80			Inanition	Ireland
12.	Mary E. Thayer .	59	10	16	Pneumonia	Randolph
16.	Melville W. Soule .		5	28	Meningitis	Randolph

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
July 27.	Bernard Farrell .	70			Senility . . .	Ireland
29.	James Sutton .	77			Senility . . .	Ireland
30.	Ferdinand Fellman .	78	7	3	Cerebral hemorrhage .	Prussia
Aug. 1.	Hannah P. Clark .	87	11	25	Apoplexy . . .	Randolph
17.	Roger G. Granger .	4	3	27	Meningitis . . .	Randolph
19.	Minnie Fischer .	15	10	1	Consumption . . .	Long Island city
21.	Lucy M. Wilbur .	79	1	15	Locomotor ataxia .	Westmoreland
21.	Sylvia E. Tucker .	47	8	23	Suicide . . .	No. Easton
Sept. 12.	Mary Campbell .	64	4	8	Senile gangrene .	Ireland
18.	William L. Allen, Jr.,	17	5	6	Phthisis pulmonalis	Boston
19.	John Gill .	86			Senility . . .	Ireland
21.	Margaret M. Heney .	31	3		Consumption . . .	Ireland
23.	Francis Comiskey .	74	2	11	Consumption . . .	New York
28.	Deborah A. H. Jones,	71		10	Killed by car . . .	Braintree
Oct. 1.	Dennis Fox .	81			Senility . . .	Ireland
4.	Albert W. Stetson .	54	9		Apoplexy . . .	Randolph
19.	John McGerigle .	64			Senility . . .	Ireland
19.	Celia A. Babbitt .	58	1	10	Heart dis. septicoemia,	Racine, Wis.
22.	Mary E. Hoyer .	36		21	Morbus cordis . . .	Randolph
24.	Mary O'Brien .	71			Valvular disease heart,	Ireland
26.	Helen Rooney .			1	Premature birth . .	Randolph
Nov. 3.	Elizabeth M. Pope .	51	7	9	Gastric ulcer . . .	Ireland
4.	Emeline Gerald .	86	6	21	Debility of age . .	Bridgewater
16.	James Pope .	79			Interstitial hepatitis	Ireland
17.	Elizabeth G. Barrett	37			Consumption . . .	Randolph
29.	Thomas Buckley .	44			Phthisis pulmonalis	Randolph
29.	Elizabeth E. Niles .	61	2		Apoplexy . . .	Randolph
Dec. 8.	Lydia Dunton .	87	2	6	Old age . . .	Medford
15.	Simon F. O'Brien .	27			Unknown causes .	Salem
23.	William Broad .	86	5	6	Chronic enteritis .	Boston

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Bronchitis, carbuncle, fracture of hip, abscess, fall, killed, cystitis, marasmus, inanition, locomotor ataxia, ulcer, senile gangrene, premature birth, hepatitis, enteritis, one each.

Fatty degeneration of heart, tumor, tuberculosis, infantile, cancer, cerebral hemorrhage, acute mania, softening of brain, suicide, not ascertained, two each.

Apoplexy, three.

Pneumonia, meningitis, four each.

Heart disease, eight.

Phthisis (consumption) nine.

Old age (senility) ten.

Total, 73.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph:

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall in said town, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law, to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 12. To see what action the town will take in relation to lighting the streets by electricity, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to place two additional lights on Belcher Street, as petitioned for by W. D. Hatchfield and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 14. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place electric lights on High Street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Lewis B. Paine and others.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to place four additional lights on Mill Street, as petitioned for by Michael Brady and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888, as amended, and to unite with the town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns in the discretion of the School Committee, to employ a Superintendent of Schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the bond of the Tax Collector for the year 1898, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 18. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 19. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1898-1899, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 21. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 22. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 23. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on the northerly side of West Street, from the junction of Lafayette Street, and raise and appropriate money therefor, as petitioned for by Clarence L. Hagar and others.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to complete the widening of West Street, between Fowler Street and Warren Street, as petitioned for by John Sullivan and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from its present terminus on Mill Street to the residence of Charles F. Doonan, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 26. To see if the town will authorize the Select-

men to remove the building known as "Matthew Clark building," by razing or otherwise.

Article 27. To see if the town will grant permission to the "Veteran Firemen's Association" to erect a building on land in rear of Stetson Hall for an engine house.

Article 28. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist churches, also the clock in Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 29. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 30. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 31. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 34. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1898.

Article 35. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a Town Treasurer may use when acting as Collector.

Article 36. To see what action the town will take in relation to improved methods of constructing and repairing the highways, and raise and appropriate money for that purpose.

Article 37. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 38. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this fourteenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

JOHN K. WILLARD.

PETER B. HAND.

M. WALES BAKER.

Selectmen of Randolph.

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THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND,
THE TRUSTEES OF THE TURNER FREE LIBRARY, AND OF
THE WATER COMMISSIONERS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.



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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1898-99.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PETER B. HAND. PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. M. WALES BAKER.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1899.

ROYAL T. MANN Term expires 1900.

MICHAEL A. DONAVAN Term expires 1901.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

ASA P. FRENCH Term expires 1899.

ROYAL T. MANN Term expires 1900.

MICHAEL A. DONAVAN Term expires 1901.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES A. WALES Term expires 1899.

DANIEL B. WHITE Term expires 1900.

PETER B. HAND Term expires 1901.

AUDITORS.

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY. MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

REDMOND P. BARRETT.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. KNIGHT. LINCOLN STETSON. FRANK J. DONAHOE.

THOMAS FARRELL. JAMES E. BLANCHE. JOSEPH H. FOSTER.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

CHARLES F. BEAN. SIMON B. CORLISS.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY. HERBERT W. PRATT. OTIS L. SOULE.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*.

JAMES E. BLANCHE. DANIEL J. BRENNAN. JAMES W. FARRELL.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

GEORGE R. WEAVER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

ARTHUR W. ALDEN.

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GENERAL COURT.

CHARLES F. KING, of Holbrook.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1898.

Rate of taxation May 1, 1898, \$19.80 on \$1,000.

VALUATION.

	1897.	1898.	
Real estate,	\$1,616,550	\$1,615,400	\$1,150 Decrease
Personal estate,	266,750	260,050	6,700 Decrease
	<u>\$1,883,300</u>	<u>\$1,875,450</u>	<u>\$7,850 Decrease</u>
Town appropriations	.	.	\$41,705 00
State tax	.	.	1,260 00
County tax	.	.	1,875 00
Amount of appropriations	.	.	<u>\$44,840 00</u>
Number of male polls, 1,187; tax		\$2,374 00	
Number of female polls, 1; tax		50	
Estimated bank and corporation tax,		5,542 00	
		<u>7,916 50</u>	
Amount to be raised by tax on property			<u>\$36,923 50</u>

Tax on :

Real estate	(\$1,615,400 00)	\$31,984 92
Personal estate	(260,050 00)	5,148 99
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	\$1,875,450 00	\$37,133 91

Amount to be raised	\$36,923 50
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Overlay	<hr/> \$210 41
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Warrant :

State tax	\$1,260 00
County tax	1,875 00
Town tax and overlay	36,373 41
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	\$39,508 41

Population, census of 1895	3,694
Number of horses May 1, 1898	356
cows May 1, 1898	200
acres of land	5,538
dwellings	852

 APPROPRIATIONS, 1898.

RAISED BY TAXATION.

For schools	\$9,300 00
Stetson High School	2,200 00
highways	3,300 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	2,000 00
miscellaneous	1,800 00
poor in almshouse	1,600 00
poor out of almshouse	3,200 00

For soldiers' relief	\$300 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	500 00
military aid	250 00
town officers	2,500 00
interest on town debt	2,500 00
Board of Health	100 00
lockup	250 00
Fire Department	2,085 00
decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
sinking fund, water loan	3,000 00
water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
street lighting	3,300 00
insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00
special police	500 00
pay of physicians	300 00
County tax	1,875 00
State tax	1,260 00
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	\$44,840 00

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED
BY THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Alms-house property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town House and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	8,500 00
Three engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One hearse	50 00
Ten acres of salt marsh	300 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,000 00
Highway plant	5,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00

Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	.	.	\$5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	.	.	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	.	.	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	.	.	15,000 00
Turner school fund	.	.	1,500 00
Stetson school fund, par value	.	.	11,900 00
Turner Free Library building and land	.	.	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	.	.	5,000 00
Turner fund	.	.	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	.	.	5,000 00
Water Works	.	.	162,000 00
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			\$318,800 00

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$55,984.27 :

On account of schools	.	.	.	.	\$10,091 47
Stetson High School	.	.	.	.	2,322 10
removing snow	.	.	.	.	3,287 83
highways	.	.	.	.	3,379 81
paving	.	.	.	.	472 10
miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	1,495 94
Town Officers	.	.	.	.	2,396 30
street lighting	.	.	.	.	3,289 50
Interest	.	.	.	.	3,425 45
liquor licenses	.	.	.	.	50
special police	.	.	.	.	442 00
abatement of taxes	.	.	.	.	450 70
insurance on Treasurer's bond	.	.	.	.	120 00
Fire Department	.	.	.	.	2,237 51
decoration of soldiers' graves	.	.	.	.	100 00

On account of stone crusher	\$2,002 91
steam road roller	3,127 72
State aid	2,593 00
military aid	562 00
water for hydrants, etc. . . .	2,000 00
sinking fund, "Water Loan"	3,000 00
almshouse	2,255 09
poor out of almshouse	4,606 59
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	1,010 25
soldiers' relief	377 21
burial of indigent soldiers	105 00
poor of other towns	284 48
Board of Health	65 00
pay of physicians	286 00
lockup	197 81
Orders drawn	\$55,984 27
On account of State tax	1,260 00
County tax	1,875 00
Amount of expenditures	\$59,119 27

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For Schools	\$10,082 71	\$10,091 47
Stetson High School	2,322 10	2,322 10
Removing snow	3,287 83	3,287 83
Highways	3,300 00	3,379 81
Paving	500 00	472 10
Miscellaneous	1,800 00	1,495 94
Town officers	2,500 00	2,396 30
Street lighting	3,300 00	3,289 50

For Interest	\$3,615 40	[\$3,425 45
Liquor licenses		50
Special police	500 00	442 00
Abatement of taxes		450 70
Insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00	120 00
Fire Department	2,085 00	2,237 51
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Highway plant	5,143 85	5,130 63
State aid		2,593 00
Military aid	250 00	562 00
Water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00	2,000 00
Sinking fund, "Water Loan"	3,000 00	3,000 00
Almshouse	1,600 00	2,255 09
Poor out of almshouse	4,000 00	4,606 59
Soldiers' relief	300 00	377 21
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	500 00	1,010 25
Burial of indigent soldiers		105 00
Poor of other towns		284 48
Board of Health	100 00	65 00
Pay of Physicians	300 00	286 00
Lockup	250 00	197 81
County tax	1,875 00	1,875 00
State tax	1,260 00	1,260 00
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	\$54,091 89	\$59,119 27

Amount of expenditures	\$59,119 27
Amount of appropriations	54,091 89
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Amount overdrawn	\$5,027 38

Overdrawn on account of:

Schools	\$8 76
Highways	79 81

Liquor licenses	\$0 50	
Abatement of taxes	450 70	
Fire Department	152 51	
State aid	2,593 00	
Military aid	312 00	
Poor in almshouse	655 09	
Poor out of almshouse	606 59	
Soldiers' relief	77 21	
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Hol-		
brook	510 25	
Burial of indigent soldiers	105 00	
Poor of other towns	284 48	
	<hr/>	\$5,835 90

Unexpended on account of:

Paving	\$27 90	
Miscellaneous	304 06	
Town officers	103 70	
Street lighting	10 50	
Interest	189 95	
Special police	58 00	
Board of Health	35 00	
Pay of Physicians	14 00	
Lockup	52 19	
Highway plant	13 22	
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Amount overdrawn	<hr/>	\$5,027 38
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To be refunded on account of:

State aid by State	\$2,593 00
Military aid by State	281 00
Military aid by Holbrook	53 67
Burial of soldiers by State	105 00
Poor in almshouse	485 86

Poor out of almshouse	\$357 05	
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Hol-		
brook	336 75	
Poor of other towns	284 48	
Fire Department	35 00	
Pay of Physicians	74 83	
Pay of Inspector of Animals, by State,	50 00	
Highways	11 10	
Removing snow	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$4,669 24
Net amount overdrawn		<hr/> \$358 14

HIGHWAY PLANT.

By vote of the town at the annual meeting, the purchase of highway plant was authorized and directed, and Rufus A. Thayer and the Selectmen so authorized and directed, with Stillman B. Woodman, Superintendent of Streets, for the purpose of determining what was most suitable for the work required to be done in the town and ascertaining by examination and inquiry the relative standard of the machinery of different construction as shown by practical results, also the cost of the same, visited different localities where highway plants were in operation.

In their investigation the committee was assisted by Edward J. T. Dexter, engineer at the pumping station, who after examination furnished valuable information as to the mechanical construction of the different engines and boilers in use.

As a result of their investigation the committee was unanimous in their decision, and of the proposals received accepted that of A. B. Black, agent for the Climax Road Ma-

chine Company, of Marathon, New York, for the delivery of a Climax stone crusher, with elevator, bins and a portable engine and boiler of fifteen-horse power.

In the selection of a steam road roller the committee decided to consider only the rollers known as the "Buffalo Pitts" and the "Harrisburgh," convinced that equal results would be obtained by the use of either.

Proposals were received from the representatives of both companies, and that of the representative of the Harrisburgh company for the delivery of a roller of the weight required, at a date fixed by committee, being the most satisfactory and the price quoted being lower, was accepted, and a contract made with the Harrisburgh Steam Road Roller Company for the delivery of a roller weighing twelve tons.

The crusher and roller were delivered according to the contracts, and were in operation before the first of September and continued in operation until repairs upon the highways ceased, and have proved entirely satisfactory.

In addition to the crusher, and not included in the contract, a platform was constructed upon which to deliver stone at the mouth of the crusher, buildings were constructed in which to house the engine and boiler of the crusher and the roller during the winter and when not in operation.

The cost of the plant entire was \$5,130.63, paid from the proceeds of the notes of the town issued and sold as authorized, amounting to \$5,143.85, leaving an unexpended balance of \$13.22.

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Selectmen :

The work of repairing the highways in the Spring was commenced April 1.

But little scraping was necessary on account of the large amount of this work done the previous year, and the cleaning of gutters, the surfacing of the streets and sidewalks with gravel, the laying of paving and the construction of a large catch-basin on Liberty Street, was the work done during that time.

The work upon the highways in the Fall was not commenced until the stone crusher and roller were ready for operation, and but a small amount of gravel was used, the crushed stone being used instead.

A part of the work done during the Fall was the macadamizing of Warren Street from Main Street for a distance of 422 feet, the average width of which was 25 feet at a cost of \$470, the cost per linear foot being \$1.11+ or \$5,883.45+ for a mile, which is not in excess of the cost given by the State Highway Commission of building macadam road.

A part of Main Street north of the brook at the West Corners, for a distance of 220 feet, was laid with macadam, the foundation being small field stone and finished with crushed stone, and will not require any repairs for years.

During the year, 311 square yards of paving were laid, a large catch-basin constructed, and 922 loads of gravel and 500 tons of crushed stone were used for surfacing the streets and sidewalks, and permanent work.

At the close of the season, arrangement was made with your approval for the delivery of stone at the crusher at 35 cents per ton, in anticipation of what will be required for the repairs of highways the coming year.

The cost of crushing the stone will not exceed 15 cents per ton, or a total of 50 cents per ton at the crusher.

The finer grade of this crushed stone can be used for surfacing at a less expense than surfacing with gravel, and the other grades for repairs of more permanent character or for building macadam roads, should the citizens so decide.

The results from the use of the crusher and roller during the time they were in operation were all that was expected.

The expense of removing snow the past year has been nearly double that of any previous year on account of the heavy storms in the month of February and the storm in the latter part of November, the like of which has been heretofore unknown in this section of the country.

There is a demand that the streets and sidewalks be made passable as soon as possible after a heavy snow fall, that people may be able to reach their places of employment, as enforced idleness on account their being impassable means the loss of no inconsiderable amount in wages, and, in some instances, loss of employment and interruption to business.

The schools being in session during the winter months is another reason for the demand that the children may be able to attend school.

The endeavor has been to have the streets made passable and safe as soon as possible after snow storms, and the increase in the amount expended this year was unavoidable.

S. B. WOODMAN,
Superintendent.

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Stillman B. Woodman, Supt. of Streets, labor,	\$253 77
James Riley and team, labor	216 85
Joseph Riley and team, labor	220 48
Town teams, labor	283 65
Stillman B. Woodman, team labor	183 74
Thomas Duff, labor	118 38
James O'Brien, labor	110 83
David Cunningham, engineer	102 72
William C. Barry, labor	91 72

Paid Joseph Donovan, labor	\$90 72
John Sheehan, labor	93 68
John McGrane, labor	95 35
George B. Dench, labor	84 25
James Barry, labor	59 37
William Gill, labor	58 86
James Slowey, labor	50 71
Frank H. Langley, material and labor .	51 60
John Rooney, labor	49 72
Walter Robinson, labor	48 51
Waldo Bros., drain pipe	56 08
John Harris, labor	47 30
John Lyons, labor	43 17
George F. French, labor	41 63
Albert Perry, labor	35 96
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	33 17
George M. Johnson, labor	31 38
Patrick Madigan, labor	34 07
D. B. White, coal	31 19
Dominick Hand, labor	25 83
Gus Bacigalupo, labor	24 98
William Brennan, labor	29 08
Aaron Daniels, labor	24 53
Edwin A. Tabor, team and labor . .	24 50
Michael E. Leahy, team and labor . .	24 10
Thomas Whitty, Jr., labor	19 10
Sumner Thayer, labor	18 86
John Curran, labor	18 44
Andrew J. Gove, expressing	19 16
Emory Lyons, labor	18 55
Sorianna Jones, labor	18 55
M. J. Collins, team and labor	18 28
Morton Holbrook, labor	13 32
William Woodman, labor	12 42

Paid Frank W. Hayden, supplies	\$15 58
Hugh Hickey, labor	15 41
Henry Nichols, labor	12 33
John Dunn, labor	12 33
Timothy B. Curran, labor	12 29
William F. Sheppard, labor	12 29
John Sheehan, Jr., labor	12 29
Timothy Mullins, labor	12 29
George Thayer, labor	11 76
John Meaney, team and labor	14 00
Thomas Whalin, labor	11 77
Peter Sloan, labor	11 65
Robert McAuliffe, team and labor	15 55
Andrew Tracy, labor	12 00
Michael Ford, labor	12 00
Frank Mann, team and labor	17 50
Martin Holbrook, labor	10 88
Stillman Orcutt, labor	10 88
William A. Croak, material and labor	10 11
Thomas F. Hand, labor	10 00
H. A. Bagley, labor	10 88
John Wilkinson, labor	10 97
James M. Jones, labor	9 22
William H. Mahady, team and labor	9 75
Lester Jones, labor	8 88
Augustus Tirrell, labor	8 00
Philip Pierce, labor	8 00
Thomas Kiley, labor	8 55
B. H. Woodsum & Co., drain pipe	8 20
James Carroll, team and labor	7 00
C. D. Hill, supplies	6 46
William Good, labor	6 44
Elma Erskine, labor	6 44
B. Libby, material and labor	7 94

Paid James Fardy, material and labor . . .	\$3 45
Freight and telephones	2 23
John Manning, labor	3 76
Edwin M. Mann	3 00
Jeremiah McCarty, labor	2 00
Thomas Barry, labor	2 00
William L. Pulson, material and labor . .	2 00
Henry Campbell, labor	2 00
Felix Curran, labor	1 50
John Sylvester, labor	88
Charles Perry, labor	66
Dexter T. Clark, damage to fence . . .	1 50
Michael Sheridan, labor	88
Moses J. McGaughey, labor	50
Daniel Leahy, labor	2 00
Oil	45
Thomas Powderly, gravel	16 90
Amasa Niles, gravel	9 50
Thomas Kenny, gravel	5 20
M. J. Collins, gravel	4 40
Edwin A. Tabor, stone	2 00
M. Scanlon, stone and gravel	11 00
S. B. Corliss, gravel	1 40
Wellington Lewis, sand	1 20
Michael Ford, gravel	1 20

\$3,379 81

Appropriation \$3,300 00

Overdrawn 79 81

Expended \$3,379 81

Credit by scrapings and loam sold, 11 10

Net expense \$3,368 71

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid James Carroll and others . . .	\$414 38
Stillman B. Woodman and others . .	483 26
James Devine and others . . .	458 50
Michael J. Collins and others . . .	300 73
James Riley and others . . .	462 68
Francis Stetson . . .	232 45
William Mahady . . .	336 16
Joseph Donovan and others . . .	168 33
Michael E. Leahy and others . . .	137 30
Andrew J. Gove . . .	20 93
John Welsh and others . . .	42 27
Ernest Knights and others . . .	28 01
A. J. Towns . . .	7 00
Timothy Lyons . . .	20 40
Selectmen . . .	29 14
James Fardy . . .	79 75
Frank H. Langley . . .	38 36
William Carroll . . .	10 18
James Keenan . . .	6 25
Richard Irving . . .	5 00
Allan Roberts . . .	3 00
Patrick Madigan . . .	3 75

 \$3,287 83

Appropriation, \$3,287 83

 PAVING DEPARTMENT.

Paid Stillman B. Woodman, material and labor,	\$51 29
James Riley and team . . .	72 31
William Gill, labor . . .	42 42

Paid William C. Barry, labor	.	.	.	.	\$38 67
John McGrane, labor	.	.	.	.	36 00
Joseph Riley, labor	.	.	.	.	32 49
Town team, labor	.	.	.	.	45 60
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	.	.	36 22
James O'Brien, labor	.	.	.	.	29 55
George M. Johnson, labor	.	.	.	.	31 73
John Sheehan, labor	.	.	.	.	17 10
Sumner Thayer, labor	.	.	.	.	88
F. B. Curran, labor	.	.	.	.	18 00
John Lyons, labor	.	.	.	.	3 10
Columbus Holbrook, sand	.	.	.	.	6 20
Edwin Tabor, stone	.	.	.	.	1 10
Frank H. Langley, material and labor	.	.	.	.	5 54
George B. Dench, labor	.	.	.	.	2 00
Estate of Charles Prescott, material	.	.	.	.	90
sand	.	.	.	.	60
stone	.	.	.	.	40

\$472 10

Appropriation, \$500 00

Expended, 472 10

Unexpended, \$27 90

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid A. L. Chase, Inspector of Animals*	.	.	.	.	\$100 00
W. F. Barrett, teller	.	.	.	.	5 00
Royal T. Mann, teller	.	.	.	.	13 00
Frank H. Tileston, teller	.	.	.	.	5 00
J. A. Kingsbury, dinners at election offices,	.	.	.	.	37 90
Edward T. Hand, teller	.	.	.	.	8 00
John E. McDonald, teller	.	.	.	.	5 00

Paid Edward O'Flaherty, teller	\$8 00
James E. Blanche, serving notices	11 50
George R. Weaver, distributing reports	4 00
William W. Hurley, teller	5 00
George W. Wales, envelopes and postage	20 35
Dexter T. Clark, teller	5 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood	26 50
Frank J. Donahoe, police duty	16 50
William A. Croak, ballot clerk	8 00
Frank A. Long, teller	8 00
Ezra Holbrook, teller	8 00
Daniel H. Huxford, printing	494 20
Fairbanks Scales Co. . . .	3 85
Arthur W. Alden, janitor	117 40
John P. Rooney, election	5 00
Greenough Adams & Co., stationery	1 15
E. W. Campagna, labor on pooling booths,	8 88
Nelson Mann, teller	8 00
Fred L. Belcher, teller	8 00
Frank W. Hayden, teller	10 00
John K. Willard, teller	8 00
Charles Doughty, lamps and lighting	15 94
Thomas Farrell, election officer	5 00
E. L. Burdakin, record of transfers	10 00
Henry Campbell, painting signs	9 00
W. L. Pulson, labor on Clark building	1 75
Post 110, G. A. R. (order of John T. Flood),	20 00
Peter B. Hand, cash paid	13 88
Thomas Hearn & Co., binding books	2 00
James F. Sullivan, teller	5 00
Fred M. French, insurance	28 80
Dexter T. Clark, damage to fence	2 00
E. Lawrence Payne, police duty	2 05
Edwin F. Knight, police duty	7 50

Paid Fred A. French, stationery	\$0 90
M. F. Sullivan, police duty and serving warrants	22 50
Charles A. Payne, labor	2 00
Joseph H. Foster, police duty and election officer	12 50
Lincoln Stetson, police duty	7 50
P. H. McLaughlin, copying valuation list,	25 00
W. A. Croak, labor and material	1 30
James E. Blanche, police duty	7 50
Selectmen, sundry bills	22 95
Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerk	8 00
Counting Apparatus for votes	5 00
Joseph T. Leahy, insurance	69 00
William B. Spear, teller	5 00
P. H. McLaughlin, cash paid	12 75
M. Wales Baker, labor	5 32
Henry M. Meek, assessors' blanks	6 25
Thomas J. Keirnan, police service	5 00
Charles H. Belcher	2 60
Fred H. Alden, teller	5 00
A. J. Gove, expressing and teams	32 50
Joseph T. Leahy, cash paid	15 47
Asa P. French, professional services	107 00
John H. Field, teller	5 00
Fred M. French, teller	3 00
Lyons' Express	23 95
Royal T. Mann, fertilizer	1 00
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	\$1,495 94

Appropriation, \$1,800 00

Expended, 1,495 94

Unexpended, \$304 06

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. G. Hathaway, M. F. Cunningham, Redmond P. Barrett, Auditors	\$15 00
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TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy	300 00
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SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF
THE POOR.

Paid Peter B. Hand	400 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	350 00
M. Wales Baker	350 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Asa P. French	125 00
Royal T. Mann	100 00
Thomas A. Kennedy	20 00
Michael A. Donavan	90 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Clerk	75 00
James Fardy	50 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
Otis L. Soule	50 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1895 .	6 30
Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1896 .	55 00
Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1897 .	85 00
Fred M. French, collecting taxes 1898 .	165 00

ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Charles A. Wales	\$20 00
William A. Croak, Clerk	30 00
Daniel J. Brennan	20 00
Cornelius Desmond	20 00
James E. Blanche	20 00
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	\$2,396 30

Appropriations, \$2,500 00

Expended, 2,396 30

Unexpended,

\$103 70

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty \$3,289 50

Appropriation, \$3,300 00

Expended, 3,289 50

Unexpended,

\$10 50

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer \$3,425 45

Appropriation . . . \$2,500 00

Interest on taxes . . . 1,058 68

Interest on bank deposits, 56 72

\$3,615 40

Expended . . . 3,425 45

Unexpended . . .

\$189 95

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid Edwin F. Knight	\$122 00
John Haney	320 00
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	\$442 00

Appropriation, \$500 00

Expended, 442 00

 Unexpended, \$58 00

INSURANCE, TREASURER'S BOND.

Paid C. D. Fullerton	\$120 00
Appropriation, \$120 00	

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R.,	\$100 00
Appropriation, \$100 00	

LIQUOR LICENSES.

Paid E. P. Shaw, State Treasurer	\$0 50
No appropriation.	

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, taxes 1895	\$225 80
Fred M. French, taxes 1896	215 00
Estate of Thomas Buckley	9 90
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	\$450 70

No appropriation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of the Engineers of Fire Department)	\$2,237 51
Appropriation,	\$2,085 00
Overdrawn,	152 51

HIGHWAY PLANT.

Paid for Harrisburg steam road roller (12 tons), crusher, bins, elevator, belts, platform, etc., portable engine and boiler (15 horse power), buildings for housing rol- ler and engine	\$5,130 63
Appropriation,	\$5,143 85
Expended,	5,130 63
Unexpended,	\$13 22

WATER WORKS.

Paid Water Com'rs, water for hydrants, etc.	\$2,000 00
Water Commissioners, sinking fund	3,000 00
	<u>\$5,000 00</u>
Appropriation,	\$5,000 00

STATE AID. (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894.)

Paid sundry persons	\$2,593 00
To be refunded by the State.	
No appropriation.	

MILITARY AID. (CHAPTER 279, ACTS OF 1894.)

Paid sundry persons	\$562 00
One-half paid by the State	\$281 00
By Holbrook	53 67
By Randolph	227 33
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	\$562 00
Appropriation, \$250 00	
Expended, 227 33	
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Unexpended, \$22 67	

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid Ralph Houghton, fumigating	\$5 00
Peter B. Hand	20 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	20 00
M. Wales Baker	20 00
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	\$65 00
Appropriation, \$100 00	
Expended, 65 00	
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Unexpended, \$35 00	

COUNTY TAX.

Paid C. H. Smith, County Treasurer	\$1,875 00
Appropriation, \$1,875 00	

STATE TAX.

Paid E. P. Shaw, State Treasurer	\$1,260 00
Appropriation, \$1,260 00	

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees	\$2,322 10
Appropriation, \$2,200 00	
Bank tax, 122 10	
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	\$2,322 10

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School Committee)	\$10,091 47
Appropriation, \$9,300 00	
Dog license, 424 28	
State school fund, 294 43	
Coddington fund, 64 00	
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	\$10,082 71
Overdrawn, 8 76	
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	\$10,091 47

REPORT OVERSEERS OF POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1898.

The almshouse is still in charge of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Weaver, and is kept to the satisfaction of the Overseers, notwithstanding the criticism of the agent of the State Board of Charities; the inside of the building has been newly painted throughout, and everything is neat and orderly, and we would invite any citizen to call and examine the building at any time; good food is provided and plenty of it, and the house is kept warm and comfortable. The only just criticism of the agent, and which we allow, is in regard to the location of the water closets; they are at present in the building and should be remedied.

The amount expended for outside aid has been in excess of the previous year, as greater demands have been made on the Overseers for aid; also bills amounting to \$270, which should have been paid in 1897, were not presented in time for payment in that year, so came into this year's account; then the amount expended for the insane, which seems to be increasing every year, we having thirteen persons in the asylums, costing \$1,939, makes large inroads into our appropriations, and at present the indications are that the expenses will be somewhat decreased during the coming year.

The following have been the expenditures :

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid George R. Weaver, salary . . .	\$500 02
George R. Weaver, supplies . . .	48 65
John Wallace, supplies . . .	47 00
Walter M. Howard, fish . . .	58 43
P. H. McLaughlin, supplies . . .	25 45
Henry A. Belcher, supplies . . .	27 43
B. C. Tirrell, supplies . . .	21 95
Charles D. Hill, supplies . . .	90 34
H. M. White, supplies . . .	96 98
Richard McAuliffe, supplies . . .	34 65
M. Wales Baker, material and labor . .	13 58
E. W. Campagna, material and labor . .	13 55
N. E. Buck, supplies . . .	93 05
Charles H. Belcher, supplies . . .	110 68
Robert McLennan, material and labor . .	10 80
Daniel B. White, coal . . .	225 41
Frank A. Long, supplies . . .	28 45
William A. Smith, supplies . . .	47 01
S. Austin Thayer, grain . . .	94 20
Frederic Snell, horse . . .	75 00
J. W. Palmer, supplies . . .	62 09
F. W. Hayden, supplies . . .	180 71
Charles Prescott & Co., supplies . . .	44 02
Thomas L. Stetson, supplies . . .	4 80
George H. Eddy, supplies . . .	48 22
James Fardy, material and labor . . .	12 20
Lincoln Stetson, cow . . .	35 30
M. E. Leahy, labor . . .	2 75
Frank H. Langley, material and labor . .	75 93
E. G. Furber, supplies . . .	9 16
Joseph Donavan, labor . . .	20 00
James Riley, labor . . .	3 00

Paid David Cunningham, labor	\$2 50
M. J. Collins, labor	41 50
S. B. Woodman, labor	6 00
Charles A. Payne, labor	1 13
Royal T. Mann, milk	27 90
Smith Bros., supplies	5 60
A. J. Gove, expressing	9 65
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	\$2,255 09

DR.

Stock on hand December 31, 1897 .	\$2,322 65	
Salary and supplies	2,255 09	
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Stock on hand December 31, 1898 .	\$2,292 82	
Labor of town teams	365 01	
Produce sold	101 85	
Use of derrick	19 00	
Net expense	1,799 06	
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PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Lewis Linfield	52 weeks
William A. Doyle	52 "
Catharine Heney	52 "
Bartholomew Gill	52 "
Clark Fairbanks	52 "
Mabel Fairbanks	52 "
Aletta Veazie	52 "
Abby D. Bradley	46 "
Alton Bradley	46 "
Timothy Sullivan	52 "

Emory Holbrook	.	.	.	.	.	52 weeks
Elizabeth French	.	.	.	.	.	11 $\frac{4}{7}$ "
Adelia H. French	.	.	.	.	.	11 $\frac{4}{7}$ "

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC., DECEMBER 31, 1898.

2 horses	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$150 00
1 cow	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 00
2 hogs	.	.	.	.	.	.	36 00
60 fowls	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
8 tons hay	.	.	.	.	.	.	120 00
1 ton rowen	.	.	.	.	.	.	12 00
1 ton bedding	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 00
1 road scraper	.	.	.	.	.	.	75 00
1 two-horse wagon	.	.	.	.	.	.	70 00
1 farm wagon	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
1 carriage	.	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
1 swing drag	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
1 stone boat	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
1 mowing machine	.	.	.	.	.	.	40 00
2 gravel screens	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 00
1 two-horse cart	.	.	.	.	.	.	75 00
2 horse carts	.	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
1 pair double harnesses	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
2 cart harnesses	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
1 carriage harness	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
1 two-horse sled	.	.	.	.	.	.	40 00
1 tool chest	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
1 hay cutter and feed trough	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
6 draught chains	.	.	.	.	.	.	12 00
1 carriage jack	.	.	.	.	.	.	2 00

1 grindstone	\$5 00
Baskets	1 50
1 cultivator	9 00
2 plows	12 00
1 harrow	5 00
Forks and shovels	11 00
Iron bars and picks	5 00
1 stone roller	5 00
1 wheelbarrow	3 00
2 axes	1 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 50
2 scythes and snaths	2 00
Hand saw, plane and square	4 00
Iron vise and bit stock, etc.	5 00
25 drills	20 00
2 stone hammers	3 00
2 striking hammers	2 00
45 empty barrels	4 50
8 cords wood	56 00
13 tons coal	78 00
Vegetables	60 00
4 barrels flour	20 00
$\frac{1}{4}$ barrel crackers	1 50
5 pounds butter	1 25
10 pounds lard	75
3 gallons molasses	1 50
51 gallons vinegar	9 00
25 pounds sugar	75
8 pounds tea	1 60
Spices	1 50
2 pounds tobacco	70
Grain and meal	3 50
30 gallons kerosine oil	2 40
1 kerosene barrel	75

1 stove	\$4 50
1 oil stove	1 00
2 wood saws and horses	4 00
2 clocks	5 00
2 mirrors	2 00
Crockery ware	40 00
1 sewing machine	10 00
1 ice chest	35 00
Wooden and tin ware	15 00
Lamps and lantern	10 00
1 street lamp	5 00
6 cuspidors	3 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel beans	62
6 iron bedsteads	30 00
14 iron bedsteads	40 00
4 feather beds	25 00
20 mattresses	50 00
50 sheets	22 00
30 blankets	30 00
40 pillowcases	10 00
15 white spreads	12 00
6 comforters	6 00
40 pillows	20 00
12 towels	2 00
3 table cloths	3 00
4 tables	4 00
1 walnut table	3 00
1 extension table	8 00
5 rockers	5 00
2 wool carpets	50 00
50 chairs	12 50
6 cane-seat chairs	4 00
4 brooms	1 00
1 churn	2 00

2 coal hods and shovel	\$2 00
1 fire extinguisher	20 00
150 feet hose	8 00
5 flat irons	3 00
Soap powder	1 50
Soap	2 00
1 hospital bed	30 00
8 snow plows	150 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	120 00
1 sleigh	10 00
2 robes	5 00
2 blankets	4 00
1 lawn mower	5 00
Cooking range and boiler	75 00
Ladders	6 00
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	\$2,292 82

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for Susanna Buckley	\$60 00
Arthur Neary	39 00
Julia Ainsley and family	178 75
James B. Riley	104 00
Mary A. Chandler	84 25
Mary E. Smith and family	253 55
Mrs. Jedediah French and daughter	126 00
Rose Campbell and family	51 25
Mary A. Carroll and family	102 00
Mrs. Charles F. Howard and family	60 00
John Treanor family	100 58
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	78 80
Stillman Orcutt	19 50
Mrs. C. A. Allen and family	87 25

Paid for Frank Sutton	\$10 15
Mrs. Cornelius O'Keefe and family . .	187 55
George N. Wilbur and family	7 25
Margaret Ward, at State Almshouse . .	146 00
William F. Wills, at State Farm . . .	146 00
Emma C. Lincoln, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
Mark E. Purcell, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
Thomas Kiely, at Medfield Insane Asylum,	146 00
Timothy Donahoe, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Insane Hospital	169 46
William R. Farquhar, at Westborough Insane Asylum	169 46
Joseph H. Crosby, at Taunton Insane Hospital	149 03
Alice E. Hill, at Taunton Insane Hospital,	67 32
Mary Morgan	12 25
Elizabeth Burke and family	47 00
Mrs. John Leahy	70 00
Mabel E. Beyette	10 00
Thomas Riley	250 00
Mrs. Robert McAuliffe and family . .	184 50
William Shields and family	32 00
Charles E. Linfield	9 00
John F. McKay	12 00
David J. Foley	42 75
Bridget Kennedy and family	98 87
William Keefe	16 00
John Desmond, Jr., and family . . .	192 86
Manus Gallagher	204 34
Mrs. G. Bacigalupo and family . . .	26 03

Paid for Patrick Mannix	\$20 00
Aid rendered to sundry persons . . .	40 79
Aid rendered to sundry persons, re- funded*	357 05
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	\$4,606 59
*Less aid refunded	357 05
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	\$4,249 54

Appropriation, \$4,000 00

Overdrawn, 606 59

\$4,606 59

Aid refunded, 357 05

Net expense, \$4,249 54

SOLDIERS' RELIEF, MILITARY SETTLEMENT IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Elvira Holbrook	\$60 00
Hiram S. Faunce and family . . .	9 00
Thomas F. Hand	60 00
George F. French	10 00
Mrs. John E. Mann, at Stoughton .	185 02
Christiana Sloan, at Canton . . .	56 00
Lawrence Leavitt and family, at Quincy,	104 40
Lysander Morse, at Canton . . .	5 60
Richard Adams	18 75
George Kiley, at House of the Angel Guardian	90 00
George W. Cook and family, at Newton,	164 52
Lewis Weathee, at Taunton Insane Hos- pital	169 46
Margaret Morrissey, at Brockton .	12 00

Paid for Mrs. C. V. Sloan and family, at Stoughton,	\$7 00
Lorenzo Eddy	2 00
Albert Howard, at Brockton	48 00
John A. Sylvester	8 50
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	\$1,010 25

Appropriation,	\$500 00
Paid by Holbrook,	336 75
Overdrawn,	173 50

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Ellen French	\$20 50
Hugh Currie and family	23 50
Elizabeth Green	128 75
Charles H. Abbott, at Hospital for Epileptics	169 46
Abby M. King, at Brockton	35 00
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	\$377 21

Appropriation,	\$300 00
Overdrawn,	77 21

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Almira Fowle, Milton	\$122 73
Frank E. Wilder, Boston	25 60
John Lang, Taunton	53 00
Olive M. Jones, Braintree	60 00
Timothy Mullins, Brockton	4 90
Mrs. John C. Welch, Weymouth . . .	6 00
George W. Thomas, Cambridge . . .	3 25
Elizabeth Hennesey, Boston	9 00
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No appropriation.	\$284 48

BURIAL OF INDIGENT SOLDIERS.

Paid for Burial of Oliver H. Bowman . . .	\$35 00
Burial of Michael Newman . . .	35 00
Burial of Matthew Moran . . .	35 00
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To be refunded by State.	\$105 00

LOCKUP.

Paid Arthur W. Alden, keeper of lockup . . .	\$100 00
Arthur W. Alden, supplies . . .	30 50
Charles Doughty, electric lighting . . .	24 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies . . .	12 61
D. B. White, coal . . .	26 50
Frank S. Smith, charcoal . . .	3 30
F. W. Hayden, supplies . . .	30
Supplies . . .	60
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	\$197 81

Appropriation, \$250 00

Expended, 197 81

 Unexpended, \$52 19

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

Paid Dr. A. L. Chase . . .	\$50 00
Visits made Mabel Fairbanks . . .	3
Mrs. S. D. Bradley . . .	3
Barrows family . . .	5
Mary A. Chandler . . .	25
James B. Riley . . .	2
Manus Gallagher . . .	39
Elizabeth Burke . . .	1

Paid Dr. F. C. Granger	\$50 00
Visits made John Treanor	25
Mrs. Charles Linfield	32
Paid Dr. C. C. Farnham	39 00
Visits made Christiana Sloan	19
William Doyle	2
Mabel Fairbanks	2
Mrs. G. Bacigalupo	13
Lockup inmate	3
Paid Dr. D. F. Kinnier	50 00
Visits made John Desmond, Jr. . . .	37
Timothy Mullins	43
Thomas F. Hand	27
Paid Dr. E. A. Allen	47 00
Visits made Thomas Donahoe family	41
Almira Fowle	6
Paid Dr. W. M. Babbitt	50 00
Visits made Timothy Mullins	36
Emily Sloan	1
Robert Agnew	13
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	\$286 00
Appropriation, \$300 00	
Expended, 286 00	
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Unexpended, \$14 00	

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE
SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE
POOR, FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$365 01
produce sold	101 85
use of derrick	19 00

From aid to sundry persons refunded . . .	\$187 05
State, on account of salary of inspector of cattle	50 00
loam and scrapings sold (highways) . . .	11 10
labor removing snow	1 50
sale of Braintree Records	4 00
licenses	5 00
N. E. Telephone Co.	4 50
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	\$749 01

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1899.

For schools (see report of School Committee) .	\$8,870 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees),	2,200 00
town officers	2,500 00
miscellaneous	1,800 00
repairs of highways	3,500 00
highway plant	500 00
paving	500 00
removing snow	2,000 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	3,800 00
soldiers' relief	400 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	600 00
military aid	250 00
electric street lighting	3,300 00
interest on town debt (and in addition there- to the interest on taxes and bank deposits),	2,700 00
Treasurer's bond	120 00
Pay of Physicians	300 00
Board of Health	100 00
lockup and tramps	250 00

For Fire Department (see report of Engineers),	\$2,120 00
Water Works (see report of Water Commissioners)	5,000 00

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 8, 1899.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find the same correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual meeting, March 6, 1899 :

Alden, F. Wayland	Retired.
Arth, Ernst	Cigar manufacturer.
Batchelder, Harland P.	Retired.
Baker, M. Wales	Tinsmith.
Beal, Clarence E.	Florist.
Brennan, William	Laborer.
Campion, John P.	Farmer.
Clark, Dexter T.	Surveyor.
Casey, Peter	Laster.
Clark, Hugh	Retired.
Clark, S. Melvin	Agent.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Corliss, Simon B.	Farmer.
Croak, William A.	Carpenter.
Curran, John	Laborer.
Dennehey, Daniel D.	Cutter.
Devine, Edward J.	Tinware dealer.
Donovan, Michael A.	Mechanic.
English, Nicholas	Shoemaker.
Elliott, George A.	Laster.
Foster, Joseph H.	Machine operator.
French, Fred A.	Fancy goods dealer.
French, Fred M.	Insurance.

Frizzell, William	Retired.
Forrest, Richard	Laster.
Gibbons, William	Retired.
Good, William	Farmer.
Holbrook, Columbus	Shoemaker.
Holbrook, Albert H.	Carpenter.
Jones, Rufus	Farmer.
King, Evander F.	Carpenter.
Leach, John	Shoemaker.
Leahy, Joseph T.	Insurance.
Lewis, Wellington	Farmer.
Libby, H. Frank	Carpenter.
Long, Frank A.	Boot and shoe dealer.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.
Mann, Lucius H.	Farmer.
Mann, Nelson	Retired.
Mahady, William	Laborer.
May, John	Retired.
McGaughey, Moses	Shoemaker.
McLaughlin, Patrick H.	Dry goods dealer.
Molloy, James	Retired.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Cigar manufacturer.
Niles, Amasa S.	Retired.
Niles, Isaac	Auctioneer.
O'Connell, Michael J.	Shoemaker.
Palmer, James W.	Grocer.
Poole, Marcus M.	Storekeeper.
Porter, Franklin	Druggist.
Porter, William	Farmer.
Roberts, William R.	Poultry dealer.
Reynolds, George A.	Farmer.
Riley, Thomas	Retired.
Scanlan, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Snow, Hiram	Sole leather cutter.

Stetson, Francis E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Taber, Edwin A.	Farmer.
Willard, John K.	Tallow dealer.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER,
Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Randolph:

By no means the least important duty devolving upon us as a town is the discipline and training of the youth in whose welfare we are all so deeply interested, and upon whose proper development and mental equipment in early years the future stability and prosperity of our community and State largely depend. It is incumbent upon the committee, to whose supervision this work is committed, to make each year such a report of the performance of their duties as shall give to parents and tax-payers a sufficient idea of what the schools of the town are doing, and what they lack. Some years' experience upon the Board has convinced the writer that, however great the interest may be which the individual citizen, — father or mother, — may take in the schools, there is, perhaps, too great a reliance placed upon the School Committee, particularly in respect to the opportunities for observing matters of criticism in teachers, or in methods of study and discipline. It not infrequently happens that censure of one or the other comes to the attention of the committee in the shape of vague rumor, or neighborhood gossip, rather than by specific and formal complaint. Such uncertain rumors we cannot, of course, act upon or recognize. It is unquestionably the privilege and duty of every parent, believing that he or she has ground for complaint, either as to the treatment or instruction administered to a child, to come directly to the School Board with the grievance, real or supposed, and have it investigated. Any

such suggestion will be treated, if desired, in absolute confidence, and carefully inquired into. The committee, when visiting the schools, naturally see the teachers and scholars at their best, and if there be any carelessness or impropriety of conduct, it is not likely to be exhibited in their presence.

In marked contrast with this over-reliance in the direction referred to, there seems to be a tendency in other ways to question the wisdom of the Board in certain matters which are, and should be, left by the law wholly to their discretion, and where, however unpleasant the exercise of such discretion may be in its consequences to the individual, the motive is clearly an honest attempt to improve the condition of the schools. The success of our educational institutions depends more upon the qualification of the teachers than upon anything else. It should be our first endeavor, therefore, to employ well trained and skilful instructors, and to pay them as liberally as we can. There should, consequently, be no hesitation for politic or charitable reasons to exercise the disagreeable duty of dispensing with the services of a teacher, irrespective of his or her length of service, or circumstances, if the efficiency of the schools clearly demands it. This power should certainly not be arbitrarily or hastily exercised by the committee, but it is essential that it should be resorted to without fear or favor when it is deemed expedient.

If it be admitted, as it must be, that the condition of the schools depends more upon the teachers than upon any other factor, then our schools cannot have materially changed since our last report. Except in the High School, no new teacher has been employed. The only important change has been the closing, at the beginning of the school year, of the North Street School. Early in September, the committee were informed that Miss Helen A. Belcher, who had taught in that district for several years, desired to resign her posi-

tion. The number of pupils in the school had dwindled to fourteen, and the committee, after consulting with the parents in the neighborhood, voted to discontinue the school on and after September 10th, pending the determination by the town of the question whether or not it should be permanently closed, and arranged to convey its pupils to and from the graded school in District No. 10, by means of the electric cars, free of expense to the parents. This action the town subsequently ratified at a special meeting held September 22, 1898, at which it was unanimously voted "that the School Committee are hereby authorized to close the ungraded school on North street in district No. 5 for such time as in their opinion it is desirable that instruction there should be discontinued; and that they are further authorized and empowered to make such arrangements as are necessary to convey the pupils in said district to and from the public school building on Belcher street, and to expend such sums as said committee may deem requisite therefor out of the moneys raised and appropriated by the town for school purposes at the last annual town meeting."

As a result, there is considerable saving to the town, and the children in the North district have the unquestionable advantages of a graded school. The cost of transportation for each child is five cents *per diem*. We recommend the continuance of this arrangement for the present, and shall ask for a special appropriation for transportation during the coming year.

We further recommend the early introduction of the kindergarten system for young children, which has proved so successful in other localities.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

Owing to the inability to accommodate all the children qualified to enter the highest grade in the Prescott school,

which, though to a less extent, has been of yearly recurrence for some time past, and is likely to remain a permanent condition, a serious problem was presented to the committee. The various alternatives were to create a new school and employ another teacher — to build an addition to the Prescott school, thus enlarging Mr. West's room — to refuse duly qualified pupils promotion merely because of insufficient quarters — or to send such of the children as could most conveniently make the change to the North Grammar school, already well filled. The latter alternative was eventually adopted, and this, in some cases, necessitated the transportation of the pupils to and from the school. This, however, is a mere temporary evasion of an embarrassing question which, if the same conditions continue, can only be properly solved by furnishing additional school accommodations. This we have urged the town for three or four years to do, and as yet no step has been taken in the desired direction. We earnestly repeat our recommendation of last year that some progress be at once made, looking towards the erection, in the near future, of a union school building, in some central location, to include the High School, the Prescott school and the North Grammar school, and perhaps, also, the South District school (No. 1). As we have heretofore suggested, the expense can be so divided over a series of years, by recourse to notes or bonds, as to make the additional burden of taxation in any one year comparatively light. It is to be borne in mind that there will probably be a considerable saving of expense in running such a building, upon the present cost of the schools which it is proposed to consolidate. We have asked the Selectmen to insert an article in the warrant for the coming annual meeting, which will bring the matter up for consideration and discussion. It is to be hoped that a harmonious and rational conclusion upon this important subject will be arrived at, and that the voters, after thoroughly understanding the situation, will take a lib-

eral view of it. Economy at the expense of public instruction is a poor policy for us as a town, or as parents with children to educate. It unfortunately cannot be denied, however, that our taxes are now, and are likely to be for some time to come, all that we can bear.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENCE.

This is another subject upon which we are almost weary of enlarging. Although the town has long since become convinced of its utility, and has voted for several consecutive years to accept the act, we have as yet been unable to form a desirable union. There seems, however, to be a fair prospect, this year, that both Holbrook and Avon will be in a position to join us, if we desire. The usual article has been inserted in the warrant, and we earnestly hope that the town will again vote in favor of the change, if it can be advantageously effected. It is not creditable to be one of the very small number of towns in the Commonwealth which now have no special school supervision. It is needless, perhaps, to repeat, in this connection, a suggestion which we have made heretofore, that if the town should vote to employ a superintendent, an earnest effort should be made to secure the services of a thoroughly experienced and competent man. An inefficient superintendent would undoubtedly do more harm than good.

EXPENSES.

There have been no expenses out of the ordinary course during the past fiscal year, and the disbursements have exceeded the appropriation and income only by a few dollars. If the revenue from the State School Fund, the dog licenses, and the Coddington Fund had been as large as our estimate, we should have been well inside of the appropriation. This is in pleasant contrast with the large over-

draft of last year, and is due principally to the fact that there has been no necessity for extensive repairs, or changes in text books. A detailed statement of the expenditures in this department for the year ending December 31, 1898, is annexed to this report.

SCHOOL LEGISLATION.

Among the important legislation during the year 1898, affecting schools, are the following provisions :

No child under fourteen years of age shall be employed in a factory or work shop.

The time of taking the school census is changed to September first.

Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day school (or private school approved by the committee) during the entire time that the public day schools are in session. Every person having under his control such a child shall cause it to attend school as thus required. If he fails to do so for five day sessions, or for ten half-day sessions, within any period of six months, he shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

The following brief and excellent statement of the educational conditions now generally prevalent throughout the Commonwealth, is quoted from the report of the State Board of Education covering the school year of 1897-98 :

"The public schools, in the main, are in good condition. This condition is subject to exceptions that are inevitable in so vast a system, administered, as it is, in three hundred and fifty-three distinct sections, by three hundred and fifty-three school boards, that, however competent and progressive, must nevertheless defer to an endless variety of conditions in their respective constituencies. If, however, there are exceptions on the side of mediocrity or worse, they are

far outnumbered by exceptions on the side of conspicuous excellence. It is certain that school buildings are gaining in fitness for their purpose and in beauty as well, that teachers are preparing themselves better for their work, that superintendents are making themselves felt for good, that courses of study are becoming more sensible and attractive, that the normal schools were never in a better position to inspire the schools by demanding good teaching from them and sending out good teachers to them, and that the public interest in educational themes was never keener. School problems were never more numerous, indeed, and never more earnestly debated; but the stir of discussion means far more for the good of the schools than the conceit of satisfaction or the stagnation of indifference. Such discussion would hardly be possible, were it not for the universal conviction that the public schools are not only an inestimable blessing to the children of the people, but the State's supreme reliance for the enlargement and strengthening of its civil foundations."

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Annie G. Ainsley.	Ina G. Good.
Mary Ainsley.	Chester W. Howard.
Leona Bloom.	Francis M. Jones.
Flora E. Clark.	Charles E. Lyons.
Lilian Conley.	Royal L. Mann.
Della M. Cunningham.	Lester W. Payne.
Florence Devine.	Peter Rooney.
Grace H. Dushame.	Roland R. Tileston.
Roger B. Willard.	

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

Harold Bailey.	Edward Hogan.
Norman Baker.	Grace Langley.

Sara Burke.	May Lawless.
Lloyd Chase.	Albert Lynch.
Joseph Clark.	Nellie Lyons.
Louis Courtney.	Caroline McDonald.
John E. Conley.	J. Francis Mooney.
Albert Cunningham.	Nicholas Moore.
Albertis R. Daniels.	Edward Morgan.
Mary Donahoe.	Gertrude L. Pierce.
Willie Dyer.	Winfred H. Pierce.
Thomas Farly.	Isabelle G. Pope.
Elsie Fischer.	Kittie Shepard.
Nellie Gill.	Harold G. Soule.
John Goode.	Annie Sutton.
Marguerite Hayes.	Kittie Sutton.
Raymond Hooper.	Cora E. Taber.
Lillian H. Wentworth.	

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14 years of age.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Fred E. Chapin . . . Isabel M. Breed . . . Amy H. Wales . . . Ella L. Chase . . .	107	96	90½	94+	83	24	0
PRESCOTT GRAMMAR,	{ Thomas H. West . . . Katie A. Kiley . . . Mary A. Molloy . . . Kittie E. Sheridan . . .	57 38	54+ 36.9	52+ 34.8	96+ 94+	7 1	36 32	0 0
PRESCOTT PRIMARY,	{ Mary E. Wren . . . Ellen E. McLaughlin, Kittie R. Molloy . . .	40 40	35 34+	32+ 31+	94 90+	0 0	14 10	0 0
NORTH GRAMMAR,	{ Joseph Belcher . . . Ellen P. Henry . . .	63 38	56 34+	53+ 32	95+ 92	4 0	54 35	0 0
NORTH PRIMARY,	{ Sarah C. Belcher . . . Clara A. Tolman . . . Susy L. Balkam . . .	35 37 37	29 34 28	27 29 25	93+ 85 89	0 0 0	23 4 25	0 1 0
UNGRADED,	{ Hannah F. Hoye . . . Elizabeth G. Lyons . . . Lucie W. Lewis . . .	30 29 38	29 29 31.8	27 24 29.8	93 87 93+	0 0 0	28 2 26	0 1 0

The committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1899 :

For teaching	\$7,200 00
Care of rooms	550 00
Fuel	400 00
Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and general repairs	600 00
Books and supplies	700 00
Shingling	200 00
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	\$9,650 00
Less estimated revenue from the dog tax, State School Fund and Coddington Fund . . .	780 00
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	\$8,870 00

ASA P. FRENCH,
ROYAL T. MANN,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS, 1898.

FOR TEACHING (38 weeks).

Paid Thomas H. West	\$1,000 00
Joseph Belcher	1,000 00
Ellen P. Henry	450 00
Katherine A. Kiley	450 00
Katherine E. Sheridan	418 00
Mary A. Molloy	418 00
Mary E. Wren	380 00
Katherine R. Molloy	380 00

Paid Clara A. Tolman	\$380 00
Helen A. Belcher	230 00
Lucy W. Lewis	380 00
Hannah F. Hoye	380 00
Sarah C. Belcher	380 00
Elizabeth G. Lyons	377 00
Ellen McLaughlin	320 00
Susan Balkam	320 00
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	\$7,263 00

FOR FUEL.

Paid S. A. Thayer	\$6 50
M. E. Leahy	18 00
Edwin M. Mann	5 00
M. E. Leahy	35 50
James Barry, preparing wood, etc.	3 00
Martin Harty, preparing wood, etc.	2 50
E. M. Mann	8 00
D. B. White	12 50
S. A. Thayer	293 76
Harvey J. DeForest, labor on wood	2 00
M. E. Leahy	3 75
E. M. Mann	8 00
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	\$395 51

FOR CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid George M. Johnson	\$100 00
Martin Harty	87 50
Mrs. A. J. DeForest	22 00
Francis B. Thayer	35 00
Mrs. Eleanor Holbrook	44 05
James Barry	50 00

Paid William Fox	\$25 15
John P. Rooney	125 00
S. M. Jones	2 25
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	\$490 95

FOR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid American Book Company	\$653 40
Ginn & Co.	144 85
Boston School Supply Co.	204 94
Edward E. Babb & Co.	191 97
Leach, Shewell & Co.	16 55
Silver, Burdett & Co.	24 65
T. H. Castor	26 73
DeWolfe, Fisk & Co.	8 25
D. C. Heath	8 00
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	3 40
Oliver Ditson Co.	8 37
Thomas Groom	3 75
J. L. Hammett Co.	9 83
F. J. Barnard & Co.	5 06
L. E. Knott	5 73
Maynard, Merrill & Co.	3 75
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	\$1,319 23

FOR MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE AND INCIDENTAL REPAIRS.

Paid E. A. Perry, labor and material	\$3 00
Walter French, tuning piano	2 00
Frank J. Donahoe, truant officer	20 00
M. E. Leahy, labor and material	1 50
Daniel Kiley, labor	4 00
James Barry, shoveling snow, etc.	1 75

Paid E. P. Clapp, lumber	\$26 13
James H. DeForest, labor and stock	2 00
F. A. Boyd & Co., labor and stock	10 53
John E. McDonald, taking census	20 00
Francis B. Thayer, labor	1 30
J. C. Haynes, repairing drum, etc.	3 35
Mrs. Harty, labor	1 75
Joseph Belcher, piano cover	4 00
Michael E. Leahy, labor	6 00
C. W. H. Moulton, ladder	2 70
F. A. Boyd & Co., repairing stoves	46 98
Lizzie A. Burke, cleaning rooms	6 90
Francis B. Thayer, cleaning rooms	7 83
John P. Rooney, cleaning rooms	16 84
Mrs. James Barry, cleaning rooms	10 00
Mrs. A. J. DeForest, cleaning rooms	6 43
Hannah C. Johnson, cleaning rooms	15 00
John P. Rooney, watchman	2 00
E. A. Perry, labor	7 00
J. W. Belcher, insurance	45 00
J. W. Belcher, insurance, \$14.00, \$18.13,	32 13
F. M. French, insurance	22 50
M. W. Baker, repairing stoves	3 20
H. M. White, supplies	2 50
Arthur W. Alden, care of room	6 00
S. M. Jones, labor	2 00
Charles Prescott Estate, supplies	4 37
D. H. Huxford, printing	27 75
J. F. Hurley, labor	1 50
C. H. Belcher, supplies	33 99
F. B. Thayer, labor	5 75
N. Mann, truant officer	20 00
M. W. Baker, labor, etc.	7 41
John P. Rooney, labor	5 00

Paid William Mahady, labor	\$4 41
Walter A. French, piano string . . .	1 00
M. A. Donovan, cash paid	5 94
F. W. Hayden, supplies	2 82
A. J. Gove, expressing	24 30
Wales Bros., labor	1 50
F. H. Langley, labor and stock . . .	1 45
William A. Croak, labor and stock . .	6 43
Charles H. Cole, labor	5 00
D. H. Huxford, printing	5 50
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	\$506 44

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid E. A. Perry, building fence . . .	\$12 59
E. A. Perry and assistant	18 45
M. Wales Baker, labor and stock . . .	5 00
Griffith Jones	5 60
Wales Bros. . . .	1 20
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	\$42 84

FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

Paid Royal T. Mann, cash paid	\$13 50
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	24 50
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	19 00
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	16 50
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	\$73 50

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for teaching	\$7,263 00
Fuel	395 51
Books and supplies	1,319 23
Miscellaneous and incidentals	506 44
Permanent repairs	42 84
Transportation of pupils	73 50
Care of rooms	490 95
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	\$10,091 47

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The only change in the investment of this fund, since our last annual report, has been due to the liquidation of the Shawmut National Bank, in which we held thirteen shares, and its re-incorporation as the National Shawmut Bank. Under the new arrangement, we were able to acquire four shares in the new bank for each five of the old. The price paid was \$150 per share and, at the present quotations, the stock is worth about \$160 per share. In addition to this there will ultimately be a small cash dividend returned from the old bank, representing the proceeds of the original stock over and above the amount requisite to purchase the new. The fund, therefore, now stands as follows, the valuations being given at par:

10 shares Eliot National Bank . . .	\$1,000 00
10 shares Hide & Leather National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe & Leather National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares National Exchange Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
5 shares Tremont National Bank . . .	500 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares National Shawmut Bank . . .	1,000 00
6 shares Webster National Bank . . .	600 00
3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent. bonds,	3,000 00

1 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent. bond,	\$500 00
Dividend from Shawmut National Bank, estimated at	75 00
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	\$11,675 00

The investment of the Turner Fund has been unchanged.

The exercises of the fifty-fourth annual commencement occurred on the 24th day of June last, at which time diplomas were presented to sixteen pupils, the largest number in many years, as follows :

Latin Course.

Elizabeth J. Fardy.	Mollie F. Kingsbery.
Alice R. Kingsbery.	Grace A. Belcher.
Katharine A. Goode.	Thomas V. Uniac.
Ellen G. Forrest.	Charles E. McMahon.
Alice M. Dennehy.	Annie E. Chessman.
Mary K. Hill.	Alice A. McGaughey.
William J. Goode.	Elizabeth G. Clark.

English Course.

Emma C. Anderson.	George L. Thatcher.
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The Turner medals were awarded to Annie E. Chessman, the valedictorian, and William J. Goode, the salutatorian.

At the beginning of the current school-year, the number of pupils in the school was 107, of whom 83 were pursuing the Latin course, and 24 the English course.

Of the class of 35 who entered the school in September, 1898, 31 elected to take the Latin course, and 4 the English course.

The school, we are convinced, could not be in better hands. Mr. Chapin's success has been very marked both in scholarship and discipline, and was demonstrated by the exceptional excellence of the last graduating exercises. We have the utmost confidence in him and in his assistants.

It has been a source of great regret to us and to the pupils of the school that Miss Breed was obliged by illness to temporarily give up her work as assistant teacher. She has been away since the latter part of September and hopes to return at the beginning of the Spring term. In the meantime, we have been fortunate in securing the services of Miss Amy H. Wales, of Randolph, a graduate of Boston University, of the class of 1898, to fill her place.

Miss Chase, whose first year in the school ended in December, has more than justified our expectations by the high character of her work.

The report of the secretary, Charles G. Hathaway, Esq., is hereto annexed.

ASA P. FRENCH,
ROYAL T. MANN,
MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

Dr. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH
1898.

	To balance of old account	\$7 45	
Jan. 29.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
Feb. 22.	final dividend, Randolph Nat. Bank	11 83	
Mar. 1.	C. B. & Q. coupons	87 50	
28.	town appropriation in part	550 00	
Apr. 6.	bank dividends, Eliot National, \$30 00		
	Webster	12 00	
	Hide & Leather,	25 00	
	Shoe & Leather,	22 50	
	Exchange	30 00	
	Boylston	30 00	
	Old Boston	25 00	
	Shawmut	39 00	
		<hr/>	213 50
June 22.	town appropriation in part	100 00	
29.	town appropriation in part	100 00	
Aug. 1.	Mass. Loan & Trust Co., interest on account	3 69	
Sept. 30.	C. B. & Q. coupons	87 50	
Oct. 3.	bank dividends, Eliot National, \$30 00		
	Webster	12 00	
	Hide & Leather,	25 00	
	Shoe & Leather,	25 00	
	Exchange	30 00	
	Boylston	30 00	
	Old Boston	25 00	
	Tremont	10 00	
	Shawmut	39 00	
		<hr/>	226 00
13.	town appropriation in part	350 00	
Nov. 28.	town appropriation, balance of	550 00	
Dec. 19.	bank tax refunded by town	122 10	
	rental of hall for year	135 00	
		<hr/>	\$3,094 57

THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1898.

Feb.	4.	By paying F. E. Chapin, account salary .	\$136 84
	4.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	4.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	8.	Charles Doughty, bill . . .	33 18
	8.	A. J. Gove, bill	14 05
	25.	Walter French, tuning piano .	2 00
Mar.	11.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	100 00
	16.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	105 25
	16.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	86 84
	16.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	86 84
	22.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor .	22 10
	28.	Thorpe & Martin Co., bill .	5 50
Apr.	6.	Postage	1 00
	15.	Edwin M. Mann, wood . . .	4 00
	29.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	136 84
	29.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	29.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
May	4.	L. E. Knott App. Co., chemicals,	37 08
	26.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	136 84
	26.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	26.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
June	24.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	136 86
	24.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 93
	24.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	24.	H. C. Kendall, bill	4 00
	24.	Oliver Ditson Co., bill . . .	6 23
	28.	J. H. Richardson, orchestra .	44 20
	30.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor .	37 52
Sept.	19.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	100 00
Oct.	1.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	47 36
	1.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	1.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	13.	William Mahady, bill	5 00
	17.	F. A. Boyd & Co., bill . . .	23 55
	27.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	27.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	27.	Amy H. Wales, account salary,	57 89
Nov.	2.	W. L. Pulson, bill	3 56
	3.	Edwin M. Mann, bill	11 50
	3.	E. A. Perry, bill	2 50
	7.	E. W. Campagna, bill	2 17

Nov, 7.	By paying C. E. Lyons, bill	\$2 00	
14.	Kingsbury Tibbets, bill	2 25	
25.	F. E. Chapin, account salary	147 36	
25.	Ella L. Chase, account salary	57 89	
25.	Amy H. Wales, account salary,	57 89	
25.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor	28 02	
28.	W. M. Baker, bill	2 00	
28.	Taunton Lumber Co., bill	2 00	
Dec. 23.	F. E. Chapin, account salary	147 36	
23.	Ella L. Chase, account salary	57 89	
23.	Amy H. Wales, account salary,	57 89	
30.	Charles H. Belcher, bills	12 23	
30.	Frank F. Smith, charcoal	9 00	
30.	American Bank Note Co., diplomas,	4 25	
31.	D. B. White, coal	115 00	
31.	William B. Spear, bill	3 00	
31.	D. H. Huxford, bill	22 75	
31.	James Fardy, bill	24 00	
31.	Charles Doughty, bill	24 54	
31.	A. J. Gove, bill	22 74	
31.	W. A. Croak, bill	1 25	
31.	Postage and revenue stamps	1 25	
31.	Trustees and Secretary for 1 year,	20 00	
	Balance		\$2,997 45
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			\$3,094 57

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

RANDOLPH, February 20, 1899.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have this day made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund for the year 1898 and find them correct.

The investments for the fund are as follows, viz. :

Eliot National Bank, 10 shares . . .	\$1,000 00
Hide and Leather National Bank, 10 shares .	1,000 00
Shoe and Leather National Bank, 10 shares .	1,000 00
Exchange National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Boylston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Tremont National Bank, 5 shares . . .	500 00
Old Boston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Webster National Bank, 6 shares . . .	600 00
*Shawmut National Bank, 13 shares . . .	1,300 00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 5 per cent. bonds	3,500 00
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	\$11,900 00

We also find in the hands of the secretary a \$1,000 bond of the City of Minneapolis, Minn., the investment for the Turner Fund.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER.

*NOTE.—See the Trustees' report. Inasmuch as the liquidation of the Shawmut National Bank is not yet completed, the original certificate, representing 13 shares, on which a partial dividend of \$1300 has been paid, is still among the securities in the hands of the trustees. Pending the final dividend, the new stock is held by the bank as collateral for the balance of the purchase price.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1898.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

REV. J. C. FOSTER, D.D., *Vice-President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.

M. WALES BAKER.

PETER B. HAND.

Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

JOHN B. THAYER.

JOHN V. BEAL.

ASA P. FRENCH.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

HENRY A. BELCHER.

MRS. ALICE M. T. BEACH.

MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

MRS. ELLEN J. T. CRAWFORD.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant Librarian.

MRS. FRANCIS O. HOWARD.



TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with Article 3 of the by-laws of the Turner Library, the twenty-third annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1898.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested, and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, John J. Crawford, John B. Thayer, Patrick H. McLaughlin, and M. Wales Baker) report that "the building is in good condition, and no large outlay, except for ordinary repairs, will be required on the same the coming year."

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of Rev. J. C. Foster, J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Mrs. Clara A. Wales, and Mrs. Ellen J. T. Crawford), and the books, charts, and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition; all books belonging to the library were accounted for by the librarian. The rules and regulations for the government of the library have generally been observed.

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt, and Peter B. Hand) report as follows :

"To the Board of Trustees of the Turner Free Library :

"In compliance with the requirements of Article Tenth of the By-Laws of the Turner Free Library, the Committee on Finance herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1898, and ending December 31, 1898, also the result of their examination of the treasurer's accounts and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts of the treasury during this period of time as per accounts of John J. Crawford, treasurer, including the balance of \$239.28 of last year, were \$3,262.71.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$3,046.38, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$216.33.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasurer, the committee find that all bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$216.33 as above shown is now in the treasury and remains on deposit in the National Hide and Leather Bank, Boston.

"The committee further find that all the rents, the interest, and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the above mentioned balance, consist of five thousand (5,000) dollars invested in a promissory note of the Town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four percentum per annum and the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars known as the 'Turner Fund' invested as follows :

"Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"Three bonds of the Kansas Pacific Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"Two bonds of the Burlington and Northern Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"One Old Colony Railroad bond of \$1,000.

"One Erie Telephone bond of \$1,000.

"The Royal W. Turner bequest is invested as follows :

"Ten Old Colony Railroad bonds of \$1,000 each.

"Ten Wayne County Michigan bonds of \$1,000 each."

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1898, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

The following extracts from the twenty-third annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees, contain a condensed statement of the present condition of the library, and a brief summary of the work accomplished :

"At the time of the last annual report, the library contained thirteen thousand seven hundred and seventeen volumes. Since that time five hundred and seventy books have been added, — five hundred and sixty-five being accessioned, and five replaced, making the present total fourteen thousand two hundred and eighty-two.

"The library has been open to the public two hundred and seventy-eight days, during which time twenty-four

thousand and seven books have been delivered for home use, — an average of eighty-six daily : sixteen hundred and ninety-one monthly : and an average to each card in use of eighteen volumes.

"The largest monthly circulation was in December, 10,149.

"The smallest monthly circulation in July (open only two days), 314.

"The largest daily circulation was on February 4th, 344.

"And the smallest daily circulation August 24th, 9.

THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

"Since readers and students have been granted direct access to the works in this department, without first being obliged to consult the library attendants, a marked improvement has been manifest, and this department of the library has been constantly growing in importance, usefulness, and public favor.

"The large number of persons who have availed themselves of the free privileges thus extended, is gratifying evidence of the desire of the people to use every avenue opened to them for the acquirement of knowledge.

DONATIONS.

"For many years past the gifts to the library (with two or three exceptions) have been chiefly public documents and special reports.

"During the past year we have been exceptionally favored in receiving from the Rev. Ebenezer Alden about one hundred rare and valuable volumes, just such works as are most difficult to secure, but which have become almost indispensable in a complete reference library.

"In these latter days, when the Sons and Daughters of the

Revolution, Colonial Dames, and kindred organizations are exacting minute ancestral qualifications for admission to their membership, there is much of colonial research; and these very books given us (chiefly genealogical) come at a most needy time to complete our somewhat limited supply.

"These books so kindly given will make our library rich in most reliable data regarding the earlier Parish-town-family and colonial records of our State.

THE CARD CATALOGUE.

"Early in the fall the card catalogue was for the first time in its history made accessible to all comers.

"As was confidently expected, it was immediately consulted by the large number of readers, who, until this time had found it difficult — if not sometimes impossible — to find, unaided, such books as they had desired.

"Some idea of the magnitude and value of this catalogue may be obtained from the knowledge that it consists of nearly forty thousand cards, representing a little more than fourteen thousand volumes.

"These cards are arranged in strictly alphabetical order — upon the 'Dictionary Plan' as it is termed. A system so simple and familiar to the people that neither difficulty nor complaint has been noted in its practical operation.

SUBJECT CIRCULATION.

"Upon this matter it is difficult to make an accurate report. While a considerable number of patrons are pursuing regular courses of reading, the fact remains that probably a full seven-tenths of the books borrowed are what are generally classed as fiction.

"It should be considered, however, in estimating the good or ill of this condition, that very much of modern fiction covers the entire ground of human thought and experience;

in fact there is no problem of philosophy, art, science or economy that is not discussed in recent novels, and there is no vital reason why those who are devoted to fiction, if they read attentively, should not, from their reading, learn the facts and be fitted to meet the problems which human life presents.

"Fiction which does not instruct, which is purposeless, except to amuse or entertain, which serves to excite the emotions rather than to guide the reason, finds only a minor place or demand in legitimate library work.

"The purpose of the public library of today is by every laudable agency to assist, to educate, and to elevate the people."

At the close of another year the trustees again express their satisfaction with the excellent condition of the library under the care and management of the present faithful and efficient librarian and his assistant.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1899.

RANDOLPH, MASS., January 1, 1899.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE
LIBRARY JANUARY 1, 1899.

RECEIPTS.

Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . .	\$300 00
Charles H. Belcher . . .	250 00
Ladies' Library Association . . .	15 00
Received from Turner Fund . . .	300 00
R. W. Turner bequest . . .	800 00
Union Pacific bond called and paid, interest on town loan . . .	1,011 66 200 00
Savings Bank for fuel . . .	113 77
finer and catalogues . . .	33 00
Balance January 1, 1898 . . .	239 28
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	\$3,262 71

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books, magazines, etc. . . .	\$511 18
salary of librarian	500 00
salary of assistant librarian	250 00
card catalogue	255 39
Erie Telephone bond	1,033 19
fuel	158 25
electric lighting	75 00
permanent repairs	16 18
supplies, including express	37 50
printing and binding	84 69
janitor	125 00
Balance December 31, 1898	216 33
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	\$3,262 71

The Turner Fund stands as it did last year, except that the Union Pacific Railroad 6 per cent collateral trust bond was called and paid, and it was replaced by an Erie Telephone 4 per cent bond. The fund stands :

3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy bonds . . .	\$3,000 00
2 Chicago, Burlington & Northern bonds . . .	2,000 00
3 Kansas Pacific Railroad bonds	3,000 00
1 Old Colony Railroad bond	1,000 00
1 Erie Telephone bond	1,000 00
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	\$10,000 00

The Royal W. Turner legacy is invested in—

10 Old Colony Railroad 4 per cent bonds . . .	\$10,000 00
10 Wayne County, Michigan, 4 per cent bonds, . . .	10,000 00
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	\$20,000 00

The town of Randolph note for \$5,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent, stands as before.

Respectfully,

JNO. J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

Gentlemen,—The following report of Engineers of the Fire Department is herewith submitted :

On May 2, 1898, the department was organized as follows :

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; D. J. Brennan, J. E. Blanche, J. W. Farrell, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Clerk*.

APPARATUS AND COMPANIES.

Engine 1 : A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Engine 2 : James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine : J. E. Blanche, *Driver*.

Truck 1 : Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon 1 : Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose 2 : Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. 1 : 17 men, M. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. 2 : 10 men, J. E. Clark, *Foreman*.

Ladder Co. 1 : 15 men, C. S. Dolan, *Foreman*.

Chemical Co. 1 : 13 men, J. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

March 4, 1898, 6 P.M., alarm for fire in building on Main Street, owned by William Taylor and occupied by Frank

Mackadon as a tailor shop; damage to building and contents about \$650. Cause of fire, overheated stove.

April 19, 1898, 11.30 P.M., fire was discovered in the dwelling on Canton Street owned and occupied by George Sias; building and contents wholly destroyed; loss about \$1,000. No alarm on the bells; cause unknown.

April 27, 1898, 4.50 P.M., alarm for fire in the dwelling on Pleasant Street owned and occupied by Mrs. Lizzie Raymond; cause of fire, kettle of fat ignited on the cook stove. Damage about \$450.

May 9, 1898, 8.30 P.M., on a still alarm members of the department were called to the dwelling on South Street owned by Edward Flarity and occupied by William Carroll; cause of fire, burning soot in chimney.

May 10, 1898, 4.30 P.M., on a still alarm Chief Wales, with a detail of men, extinguished fire in woodland on the north side of Oak Street.

July 4, 1898, on a still alarm, Hose 1 was called to a fire in a pile of rubbish near woodland on North Street (east side) north of Cottage Street.

July 14, 1898, 8.40 P.M., alarm (automatic) from the factory of Charles Doughty called the apparatus from the Central Station; no fire was discovered, therefore ordered back immediately.

July 31, 1898, 9.30 P.M., an overturned lamp in the dwelling owned and occupied by L. W. Cushman on North Main Street caused a damage by fire to contents of about \$25; no damage to building; no alarm on the bells.

September 7, 1898, 10.55 P.M., alarm for fire in stable on Main Street owned by Elisha Mann and occupied by Arthur Mann; damage to building and contents, \$1,400; cause, supposed in some way to be due to light wires.

September 8, 1898, 10.55 P.M., alarm for fire in piggery building on Allen Street owned by Columbus Holbrook; wholly

destroyed, together with 9 pigs : loss about \$350 : cause of fire unknown.

November 7, 1898, 7.30 A.M., alarm for a fire in dwelling on Union Street owned by Mrs. Margaret Golding and occupied by her : damage about \$200 to building and contents : cause, children and matches.

November 27, 12.45 A.M., alarm for a fire in dwelling on Allen Street owned and occupied by A. J. Holt ; loss on building and contents about \$1,800 ; cause of fire, defective chimney. This fire at about 1.30 A.M. communicated with the barn of H. B. Libby, which was about 6 feet from the Holt dwelling. The barn was also wholly destroyed with a portion of its contents : loss on barn and contents about \$450. With the loss of Mr. Libby's barn his house was in great danger also, but by the arrival of Hose 1 from the Central Station the house was saved with slight damage, consisting of glass broken by the heat and paint blistered. There was great anxiety among the people living near by, as there was a heavy fall of snow with the wind blowing a terrible gale, which made it a hard struggle for the apparatus to reach the fire.

December 16, 1.30 P.M., a fire in the dwelling on Allen Street owned and occupied by J. R. Thayer caused a damage to building and contents of about \$50 ; cause of fire was a child playing with paper on or near a stove in kitchen, which fell into a box of kindlings ; no alarm ; fire put out by Mrs. Thayer and daughter.

EXPENSES.

Paid 56 men \$12 each	\$672 00
56 men 471½ hours at 50 cents	235 75
56 men 42 hours at 25 cents	10 50
For fighting woodland fires	11 00
Board of Engineers, fire service and cash paid,	62 00

Paid Engineer of steamer	\$40 00
Fireman of steamer	30 00
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus 1 year to May, 1898	300 00
F. J. Donahue and assistants, steward, etc. 1 year to January, 1899	79 25
W. M. Howard and assistants, steward, etc., 1 year to May, 1898	80 75
R. J. McAuliffe and assistants, steward, etc., 9 months to May, 1898	63 50
W. O. Halloran, steward	13 50
Arthur W. Alden, care of room for engineers, .	2 50
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	19 19
S. B. Woodman, labor and material, Cen- tral Station	14 35
F. W. Hayden, supplies	8 22
A. S. Jackson, supplies	66 95
W. A. Croak, labor and material on repairs, .	29 26
S. A. Thayer, for use of pump for Hose 2 .	10 00
D. B. White, coal for houses	47 88
James Fardy, iron work	12 96
J. White Belcher, insurance on apparatus 1 year, .	21 85
J. White Belcher, insurance on apparatus 3 years, .	104 76
Joseph T. Leahy, insurance on truck 1 year, .	11 28
Hartford Insurance Co., for inspection of and insurance on engines 1 year	30 00
C. Doughty, light service and lamp	13 02
Henry Campbell, marking rubber coats	3 00
Chief Wales, cash paid shoveling snow from hydrants	29 75
C. D. Hill, supplies	1 20
Heirs of Mary Sullivan, rent of land 1 year, .	10 00
James Riley, rent of land 1 year	15 00
F. H. Langley, iron work	50

Paid C. Callahan Co., Boston, supplies . . .	\$7 84		
C. Callahan Co., repairs chemical engine .	55 00		
Henry Campbell, painting chemical engine,	45 00		
Boyd & Co., stove for chemical house .	17 00		
New York Nozzle Co., 1 spray nozzle .	15 00		
S. A. Thayer, coal for houses . . .	24 75		
A. J. Gove, expressing, teams, etc., in- cluding pung for use of Hose 1 . . .	23 00		
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			\$2,237 51
Appropriation . \$2,085 00	Expenses . .	\$2,237 51	
From City of Quincy, 35 00	Receipts . .	2,120 00	
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\$2,120 00	Balance .	\$117 51	

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one hose reel (horse), one hose reel (hand), one chemical engine, one ladder truck (new), one old truck, about 3000 feet of hose, extra ladders in house of Hose 2 and Chemical 1.

The chemical engine has been repaired and painted, and we hope will render good service when required.

The new truck has been in commission about a year, and is well adapted to the service required of it.

The steamers are in pretty good condition. Steamer 1 has been in the service of the City of Quincy for a brief period during the past year.

The hose wagon is in good condition, and is doing good service in the department.

HOUSES.

The houses of the department are in fairly good condition, and will not need any very extensive repairs the coming

year, as far as can be seen at this time. Some minor repairs are needed each year as a rule.

FIRE ALARM.

That a system of fire alarm is needed no one will deny. The subject has been brought before the citizens of Randolph so many times in previous reports from the Board of Engineers, it would seem that all must be conversant with the facts, therefore we shall not at this time enter into any discussion of the subject, but will simply say that the fire of November 27 is in evidence, as a fact, that an alarm is needed. It is well known also that that was an extraordinary occasion, when it was almost impossible for man or horse to make very fast time against such a terrible gale and storm.

FIRE LOSSES.

The loss by fire to buildings and contents the past year has been about \$6,200.

The amount of insurance paid was about \$4,000.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1899.

We would recommend the same as last year, namely, \$12 per year per man; 50 cents an hour for actual service at fires; 25 cents an hour for guard or watch duty, fires in woodland, steward work, etc. Engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman of steamer, \$30.

We therefore ask to have appropriated the following:

For regular running expenses	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
pay of 55 men at \$12	.	.	.	660 00
hour services	.	.	.	250 00
fires in woodland	.	.	.	100 00

For insurance and inspection	\$60 00
repairs	50 00
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	\$2,120 00

C. A. WALES, *Chief*,
 D. J. BRENNAN,
 J. E. BLANCHE,
 J. W. FARRELL,
 W. A. CROAK, *Clerk*,
Engineers.



THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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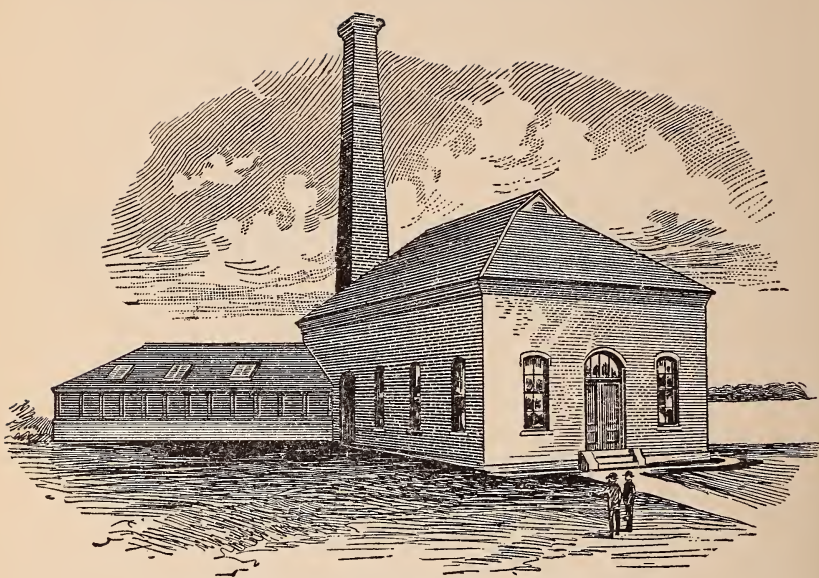
WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.



RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK WATER WORKS.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

We respectfully present to you the thirteenth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1898.

The condition of the Water Works is good as a whole, as will appear from the reports of E. J. T. Dexter, engineer at the pumping station, and Charles A. Wales, superintendent.

The condition of the sinking fund and the outstanding bonds will appear from the report of the treasurer.

The claim of John T. Langford remains unsettled. The balance due, as determined by the Auditor to whom his claim was referred, amounting to \$3,239.13, with accrued interest from February 27, 1888, remained unpaid at the beginning of the year.

During the year there has been paid by the towns of Randolph and Holbrook, trustees, by order of the Court, from the amount due on this claim the sum of \$239.59, leaving a balance due, at the close of the year, of \$2,999.54, with accrued interest, \$2,094.18, a total of \$5,093.72, apportioned as follows :

Joint Works .	\$1,187 63+interest,	\$844 04=	\$2,031 67
Randolph Works,	1,032 60+interest,	743 20=	1,175 80
Holbrook Works .	779 31+interest,	506 94=	1,286 25
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	\$2,999 54+interest	\$2,094 18=	\$5,093 72

By advice of the counsellors for the towns of Randolph and Holbrook, no effort has been made to effect a settlement of this claim.

Orders were drawn upon the Treasurer amounting to \$15,242.73.

On account of: Joint construction . . .	\$119 79
Joint maintenance . . .	2,999 38
Randolph construction, mains .	1,886 15
Randolph construction, service pipe,	459 73
Randolph maintenance . . .	6,718 55
Holbrook . . .	59 13
Sinking fund . . .	3,000 00
Total . . .	<u>\$15,242 73</u>

EXPENDITURES.

JOINT WORKS MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary as en-	
gineer . . .	\$1,100 00
E. J. T. Dexter, supplies .	95
Asa P. French, professional service,	15 00
J. White Belcher, insurance .	83 75
Fred M. French, insurance .	83 75
Pay-roll for labor . . .	632 64
Daniel B. White, coal . . .	668 35
Holly Mfg. Co., supplies .	105 50
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies .	63 88
Joseph T. Leahy, insurance .	75 00
Cunningham Iron Co., labor,	
stand pipe . . .	5 30

Paid Duval Metallic Packing Co. . .	\$11 93	
N. H. Tirrell, painting wagon . .	16 00	
James Fardy, repairing wagon . .	17 25	
Robert McLennan	12 05	
Frank H. Langley, labor and material, .	11 30	
Charles H. Belcher, supplies . .	24 38	
E. G. Furber, curtains and fixtures, .	14 00	
Edwin M. Mann, wood	5 00	
Eagle Oil Supply Co., oil	15 00	
Frank A. Long, rubber boots . . .	3 50	
Franklin Taylor, labor and material, .	3 00	
Henry Campbell, painting signs, . .	3 00	
Charles E. Lyons, labor and material, .	2 00	
A. J. Gove, team hire and expressing, .	21 32	
C. Prescott & Co., supplies	3 51	
H. M. White & Co., supplies	85	
Eugene Thayer, lantern	50	
F. W. Hayden, supplies	67	
	<hr/>	\$2,999 38

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid John W. Porter, coal	\$861 53	
John Underhay, insurance	85 76	
Walter O. Crooker, hay and grain, .	74 34	
C. H. McCarter, teams and blacksmithing	20 95	
Richard Adams, rent of stable, . . .	24 00	
Sumner & Goodwin, supplies	3 15	
Edward Allen, labor and material, .	1 82	
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JOINT WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid John V. Beal, attorney for James Riley, on account of John T. Langford, by order of court	\$119 79	
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Total		\$4,190 72

One half to be paid by each town \$2,095 36

Paid by Holbrook :

Sundry bills	\$1,071 55	
Balance on joint account	1,023 81	
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HOLBROOK BILLS.

Paid by Randolph :

Pay-roll, for labor	\$59 13	
Refunded by Holbrook.		

RANDOLPH WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT,
MAINS.

Paid John V. Beal, attorney for James Riley, on account of John T. Langford, by order of court	\$119 80	
M. J. Drummond, 6-inch iron pipe	444 21	
Pay-roll for labor	1,057 54	
Chapman Valve Manfg. Co., hydrants and gates	103 52	

Paid Boston Lead Co., for lead	\$63 38
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	11 93
Oriental Powder Mills, powder	17 95
City of Quincy, 6-inch iron pipe	20 05
N.Y., N.H. & H. Railroad Co., freight . .	6 87
Soriana M. Jones, labor	6 75
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith's bill . . .	15 25
James Fardy, blacksmith's bill	12 25
W. D. Hatchfield, blacksmith's bill . . .	4 55
F. W. Hayden, fuse	2 10
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	\$1,886 15

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, SERVICE PIPE.

Paid George Woodman Co., pipe and fittings .	\$49 83
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies . .	8 58
National Meter Co., meters	198 40
George E. Gilchrist & Co., pipe and fittings,	37 80
Boston Lead Co., lead pipe	7 40
Waldo Brothers, cement	2 25
Pay-roll for labor	142 22
William Mahady, labor	10 90
H. M. White & Co., supplies	2 35
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	\$459 73

RANDOLPH, MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid Interest on Water Loan	\$5,720 00
Mary E. Goldsmith, rent of office	42 50
Boston Safe Deposit Co., rent of box . . .	10 00
C. A. Wales, services as Water Commis- sioner and superintendent for year end- ing December 31, 1898	600 00

Paid Peter B. Hand, services as Water Commissioner for year ending March 1, 1898,	\$100 00
Daniel B. White, services as Water Commissioner for year ending March 1, 1898,	100 00
Daniel H. Huxford, printing water bills, etc.,	56 75
Dexter T. Clark, entering extension of mains, hydrants and gates on location book,	52 80
Pay-roll for labor	20 25
Joseph T. Leahy, expense	7 60
A. J. Gove, moving safe and express bill,	8 65
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	\$6,718 55

WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, treasurer	\$3,000 00
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MILL STREET EXTENSION.

Paid M. J. Drummond, 6-inch iron pipe	\$444 21
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., hydrants and gates,	53 93
Boston Lead Co., lead	63 38
Walworth Manufacturing Co.	11 93
Oriental Powder Co.	17 95
Michael Good, labor	15 60
John Sheehan, labor	35 50
James Barry, labor	19 00
G. Bacigalupo, labor	33 40
Richard Forrest, labor	31 50
John Harris, labor	23 50
Michael Bohan, labor	21 90
Charles Doonan, labor	34 11
Patrick Whalin, labor	18 15

Paid James Lyons, labor	.	.	.	.	\$11 00
John Curran, labor	.	.	.	.	18 60
Timothy Curran, labor	.	.	.	.	4 38
Dominick Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	19 10
William Sheppard, labor	.	.	.	.	23 90
Thomas F. Hand, labor	.	.	.	.	13 50
Philip Green, labor	.	.	.	.	18 20
Michael O'Connell, labor	.	.	.	.	18 50
John P. Rooney, labor	.	.	.	.	54 55
Edward Meighan, labor	.	.	.	.	21 10
Soriana M. Jones, labor	.	.	.	.	28 35
William Good, labor	.	.	.	.	18 93
Lester W. Jones, labor	.	.	.	.	8 80
Elmer Erskine, labor	.	.	.	.	19 10
Timothy Mullins, labor	.	.	.	.	20 60
John A. Sylvester, labor	.	.	.	.	13 30
William Dear, labor	.	.	.	.	30 50
Nicholas Linnehan, labor	.	.	.	.	31 60
Michael Lagan, labor	.	.	.	.	19 20
George Wilkinson, labor	.	.	.	.	12 50
William Cordingly, labor	.	.	.	.	12 10
T. Donahoe, labor	.	.	.	.	10 40
James M. Jones, labor	.	.	.	.	15 60
Thomas Kiely, labor	.	.	.	.	7 00
George M. Johnson, labor	.	.	.	.	1 60
M. Clark, labor	.	.	.	.	5 10
John Manning, labor	.	.	.	.	20 80
William C. Barry, labor	.	.	.	.	16 90
Thomas Duff, labor	.	.	.	.	17 40
John Haney, labor	.	.	.	.	1 00
John B. McGrane, labor	.	.	.	.	17 00
George F. French, labor	.	.	.	.	19 60
James O'Brien, labor	.	.	.	.	20 40
William Gill, labor	.	.	.	.	27 20

Paid Michael Brady, labor	\$2 70
Robert Hamilton, labor	12 00
Michael Crowley, labor	40 00
W. H. Sheppard, labor	1 00
William Mahady, team labor	51 12
M. J. Collins, team labor	3 50
Michael E. Leahy, team labor	4 75
Patrick Brady, labor	7 50
Antonia Dirosa, labor	23 50
Henry —, labor	49 25
Fred —, labor	28 75
F. H. Langley, blacksmith bill	11 19
James Fardy, blacksmith bill	12 25
W. D. Hatchfield, blacksmith bill	4 55
F. W. Hayden, fuse	2 10
N.Y., N.H. & H. Railroad Co., freight	5 23
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	\$1,681 26

RECEIPTS.

Balance December 31, 1897	\$2,591 88
From town sinking fund appropriation	3,000 00
town, water for hydrants, etc., appropriation,	2,000 00
water, fixed rates	6,189 81
water, meter rates	521 22
rent of meters	51 50
service pipe connections, paid by applicant,	323 59
pipe sold	7 80
Holbrook, balance on joint account	1,023 81
Holbrook, for bills paid	59 13
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	\$15,768 74

The Commissioners recommend appropriations for the ensuing year :

For contribution to the sinking fund	.	.	\$3,000 00
For water for hydrants and public use	.	.	2,000 00

PETER B. HAND,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
CHARLES A. WALES,
Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 9, 1899.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT OF THE CONDI- TION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

The buildings and grounds are in good condition, and no repairs of any account will be required at the station.

Some repairs on the plumbing in the house occupied by the engineer will be required. Information in regard to condition of pump, boilers, etc., will be found in report of Engineer E. J. T. Dexter and Hartford Steam Boiler and Inspection Company.

GREAT POND.

Nothing further can be said than in former reports, that the supply is unlimited, and in regard to the quality, samples are sent monthly from different parts of the pond to the State Board of Health for analysis, and from reports received from them the quality is reported good.

STAND PIPES.

The stand pipes are in good order, and the grounds remain in the same condition as last year.

The stand pipes should be painted on the inside some time the next year.

MAINS.

The mains have been extended on Mill Street 1,600 feet to opposite the residence of Charles Doonan, nearly to the Holbrook line.

In making the extension more ledge was met than expected, and a great deal of trouble from the caving of trenches in the low lands.

The mains, inside and out, seem to be in as good condition as when first laid.

There have been few leaks the past year, and the most and worst of these were as formerly in that part of the mains from where the pipe leaves the main street and the pumping station.

HYDRANTS.

During the last year, two have been added, making 155 at the present time.

One of these is on Mill Street, opposite the residence of Michael Crowley, and the other at the end of the line.

The hydrants were all tested in the Fall and were all in good condition with one or two exceptions.

METERS.

In looking over the reports of water works, it seems that the use of water meters is being more generally adopted.

As the best authority on water works estimates that about one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the water pumped is wasted from various causes, as leaks in the mains which cannot be seen, leaky fixtures and careless waste of water in buildings, it shows that any means that can reduce these is a saving in expense of pumping.

A simple leak of about one drop per second amounts to five gallons a day.

In many cases where much water is used it is difficult to fix rates satisfactory to both parties, but by the use of a meter the party pays for what he uses, and the water works receive pay for what they have applied.

From what little experience we have had, they seem to give good satisfaction.

The rates of water by meter will be found in the last of the report of the Water Commissioners, and any information in regard to the same will be cheerfully given by them or by the superintendent.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph:

Gentlemen, — I submit to you my eleventh annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending December 31, 1898.

Everything at the station is in fine condition, and unless some unforeseen accident occurs we shall have no expense for repairs the coming year. The consumption of water this year has increased only about 2,000,000 gallons over last year, and the coal about 5,000 pounds less, which shows that our plant does not grow wasteful as it grows older.

Following is the usual table:

DATE.	Gallons pumped.	Daily average, Gallons.	Coal burned, Pounds.	Daily average, Coal, Pounds.
January . . .	7,706,035	256,867	51,067	1,702
February . . .	6,333,659	211,121	46,251	1,542
March . . .	7,471,443	249,048	50,904	1,697
April . . .	7,990,460	266,349	47,036	1,564
May . . .	8,201,046	273,368	49,482	1,649
June . . .	11,420,975	380,699	69,304	2,310
July . . .	12,761,868	425,395	77,941	2,398
August . . .	10,373,352	345,778	56,314	1,897
September . . .	9,247,509	308,250	53,324	1,777
October . . .	8,510,076	283,335	52,975	1,765
November . . .	6,326,577	210,885	47,538	1,584
December . . .	7,162,252	238,741	52,441	1,748
Totals . . .	103,505,252	283,576	654,577	1,793

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. T. DEXTER, *Engineer.*

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following regulations, until further notice, shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses water :

1. All applications for the use of water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, and state fully the purposes for which it is intended to be used. Water will not be introduced into any building or premises except on the written application of the owner thereof, or by a duly authorized agent. The property will in all cases be held responsible for the water rates.

2. All persons taking water must keep their water pipes and fixtures in good repair and protected from the frost at their own expense. They will be held liable for all damages resulting from their failure to do so. They shall prevent all

unnecessary waste, and water shall not be left running to prevent freezing. The Water Commissioners or their agent may, from time to time, ascertain the quantity of water used, the manner of its use, and whether there is any unnecessary waste. They and their agents shall have free access to the premises supplied, to examine the apparatus, and if any fixtures are found not to be in good order, they shall direct them repaired, and if not repaired within two days the water shall be shut off and not let on again until such repairs are made, and the sum of two dollars paid for shutting off and turning on the water.

3. The occupant of any premises, when unnecessary waste of water occurs, shall be liable to a fine of two dollars for the first offence, and four dollars for the second offence during the same year, and shall be notified thereof in writing; and if such waste is not prevented and the fine aforesaid paid within two days from the time when the said notice is given, the water shall be shut off from the premises, and shall not be again let on for the same occupant until the waste be stopped and the fine paid, together with an additional sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water; and in case of a third or subsequent offence the water shall be shut off, and shall not again be let on except by a vote of the Water Commissioners and the payment of such fine, not exceeding ten dollars, as the Water Commissioners may impose.

4. Any person supplied with water shall not allow another to take water from their fixtures without the written permission of the Water Commissioners. If any tenant, having no fixtures, has any use of such fixtures, full rates will be charged for such use by each tenant.

5. All parties using water in stables, for horses or other animals, will be charged schedule rates for the same, whether it be carried by hand or through hose.

6. All persons using water for building purposes are required to obtain a permit from the Water Commissioners before taking water from any faucet or fixture connected with the water works, and all water takers are warned not to let any party take water from their premises until they show a permit from the Water Commissioners. Any person furnishing water in violation of this section will be subject to a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and if the same when levied is not paid within three days from the time when the notice thereof is given, the water will be shut off from the premises, and will not be let on again until such fine is paid.

7. All fixtures and water-closets and urinals must be of a kind and quality approved by the Water Commissioners.

8. No person shall in any case be allowed to open any fire hydrants except by a written permit from the Water Commissioners; but the Engineers of the Fire Department shall in all cases have control of hydrants at fires and for practice.

9. The Commissioners reserve the right to restrict the use of hose or fountain, to shut off the water in all cases when it becomes necessary to make extensions or repairs, or for violation of any of the regulations, or whenever they deem it expedient.

10. The regular rates for the use of water shall be payable in advance on the first days of January and July of each year. except where water is supplied to manufacturers by special agreement. In all cases of non-payment of the water rates within ten days after the same is due, as well as for any violation of these rules and regulations, the supply will be shut off, and the water will not again be let on except upon the payment of the amount due, and the sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water.

11. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to change

the water rates at any time, except in case of dwelling-houses, and establish special rates.

12. For business requiring large quantities of water, and all supplies not enumerated in the tariff of rates, special rates will be made.

13. Parties using water for manufacturing or domestic purposes can erect hydrants on their grounds or stand pipes in their building, to be used only as protection against fire, without additional charge for water.

14. All service pipes will be put in by the Water Commissioners. All applicants for the introduction of service pipes into their premises are required to make written application therefor at the office of the Water Commissioners. The Commissioners may then proceed to lay the necessary service pipes to the interior of the building, provided all expenses incurred beyond the line of the street shall be paid by the owner of the premises, who shall thereafter maintain and keep the same in good order at his own cost; and the same shall be at all times subject to the control of the Commissioners. All applicants for whom the pipe is laid will be charged for the use of one faucet whether the water is used or not, unless they pay all expense that has been incurred in laying such service pipe, and in no case will the main be tapped more than once for the same premises, unless the additional expense is borne by the owner.

The following water rates are established until further notice :

No connection made with the main pipe for any purpose for less than	\$6 00
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DWELLING-HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for the first faucet	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family,	2 00

Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family	\$5 00
One faucet for each family	6 00
For first bathtub	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00
Each additional bathtub	2 00
For first pan or self-acting water closet	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet	2 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	
Laundry tub	3 00

BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet	\$10 00
Each additional faucet	3 00
First bathtub	10 00
Each additional bathtub	3 00
First pan or self-acting water closet	10 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet	3 00

PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse	\$5 00
Each additional horse	3 00
Each cow or ox	1 00

LIVERY, EXPRESS, AND BOARDING STABLES.

For the first four horses	12 00
From five to twelve horses, each	2 00

The above prices include water for washing carriages.

Offices, Stores, Markets, Barber Shops, and Restaurants—When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

Building Purposes—Each cask of lime or cement, \$0 05

HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows, and similar uses, 1-4 inch nozzle, to be used only on premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year 5 00

For any use not herein enumerated, special rates will be made.

METER RATES.

For not over 1,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons 30

For over 1,000 gallons and not exceeding 2,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons 25

For over 2,000 gallons, per day, per 1,000 gallons, 20

Provided that in no case where a meter is used shall the annual charge be less than \$8.

Meters will be supplied by the Water Commissioners, for which an annual rental will be charged as follows :

Size 5-8 inch, \$2 per year.

Size 3-4 inch, \$2 per year.

All needed repairs, damages by frost excepted, will be made at the expense of the town.

Persons desirous of owning their meters will be supplied at cost.

PETER B. HAND,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
CHARLES A. WALES,
Water Commissioners.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH
RANDOLPH WATER WORKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1897	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,591 88
Received for water rates	.	.	.	.	.	6,189 81
service connections	.	.	.	.	.	323 59
meter rates and rents	.	.	.	.	.	572 72
pipe sold	.	.	.	.	.	7 80
Received appropriations of town :						
For hydrants	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,000 00
sinking fund	.	.	.	.	.	3,000 00— 5,000 00
Received interest on deposits	.	.	.	.	.	1 32
Refunded by Holbrook	.	.	.	.	.	1,082 94
						<u>\$15,770 06</u>

EXPENDITURES.

*Paid orders of Water Commissioners	.	.	.	.	.	15,182 73
Balance on hand December 31, 1898	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$587 33</u>

*Three coupons of \$20 each were not presented for payment so that the amount credited is \$60 less than the amount of the orders drawn by the Water Commissioners.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY MONTHS.

MONTH.	Receipts.	Payments	Balance.
December, 1897	.	.	\$2,591 88
January, 1898	\$1,009 50	\$600 00	3,001 38
February	57 00	313 34	2,745 04
March	587 08	382 75	2,949 37
April	388 21	2,289 68	1,047 90
May	310 24	836 47	521 67
June	178 00	340 38	359 29
July	1,768 33	891 06	1,236 56
August	383 42	490 58	1,129 40
September	469 70	389 15	1,209 95
October	2,209 80	3,037 71	382 04
November	317 80	693 05	6 79
December	5,499 10	4,918 56	587 33
Totals	\$13,178 18	\$15,182 73	

RANDOLPH, February 9, 1899.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

DR.

Balance on hand December 31, 1897	.	.	\$509 02
Received for town note	.	.	4,000 00
town appropriation	.	.	3,000 00

Received interest :

On town note, one year	.	.	\$160 00
Old Colony Railroad bond, one year,			120 00
Maine Central bond, one year	.		30 00
Town of Randolph bonds, one year,			880 00

On deposits in savings banks :

Randolph	.	.	\$22 66	
Brockton	.	.	48 26	
North Easton	.	.	48 26	
Quincy	.	.	48 36	
Abington	.	.	50 89	
Mass. Loan & Trust Co.,			25 84	
			<hr/>	244 27
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				1,434 27
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				\$8,943 29

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By amount deposited in savings banks,	\$218 43	
By amount paid for town note	4,000 00	
Cash balance deposited in Mass. Loan & Trust Co.	4,724 86	
	<hr/>	\$8,943 29

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF WATER ACCOUNT
DECEMBER 31, 1898.

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds outstanding: amount due,—

April 1, 1902	.	\$10,000 00	
April 1, 1907	.	20,000 00	
April 1, 1912	.	20,000 00	
April 1, 1917	.	40,000 00	
May 1, 1918	.	20,000 00	
July 1, 1922	.	25,000 00	
July 1, 1926	.	8,000 00	
		<u> </u>	\$143,000 00
Interest due on bonds, Dec. 31, 1898,		1,693 33	
		<u> </u>	\$144,693 33

ASSETS.

Amount of sinking fund	.	\$39,811 25	
Cash in hands of Treasurer	.	587 33	
		<u> </u>	40,398 58
Net water debt, December 3, 1898	.	.	\$104,294 75
Net water debt, Dec. 31, 1897,		\$106,724 47	
Net water debt, Dec. 31, 1898,		104,294 75	
		<u> </u>	
Decrease of water debt in 1898,		\$2,429 72	

STATE OF THE RANDOLPH WATER LOAN SINK-
ING FUND DECEMBER 31, 1898.

1 Old Colony R.R. bond, registered 4 per cent,	\$3,000 00
1 Maine Central R.R. bond, coupon, 6 per cent,	500 00
22 Town of Randolph bonds, 4 per cent . . .	22,000 00
1 Town of Randolph note, 4 per cent . . .	4,000 00
On deposit in Abington Savings Bank . . .	1,272 50
On deposit in North Easton Savings Bank . . .	1,243 30
On deposit in Quincy Savings Bank . . .	1,243 30
On deposit in Brockton Savings Bank . . .	1,243 30
On deposit in Randolph Savings Bank . . .	583 99
On deposit in Mass. Loan & Trust Co. . . .	4,724 86
	\$39,811 25

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the sinking fund and find it to agree with the statement above made.

C. G. HATHAWAY,
M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

Randolph, February 13, 1899.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

With a deep sense of the gravity of the financial status of our town, the Treasurer submits his annual report and asks that the points enumerated therein be given the closest and most careful scrutiny, that the problems presented be weighed with deliberation, so that at the coming town meeting action may be taken with intelligence, and adjustment effected to the advantage of the town.

Our valuation, as shown in the Assessors' report, is \$1,-875,450 — three per cent of which fixes our debt limit at \$56,263.50.

Our town debt at present is over \$50,000, showing an increase during the past year of about \$7,000. This increase, however, is not the present source of anxiety, since it is easily accounted for and provisions have been made for its payment by the appropriations for the road plant (\$5,000) and the additional appropriations for the removal of snow (\$1,500) and pauper aid (\$800).

The immediate source of anxiety is the older portion of the town debt, items which will fall due in the near future, and which, had the provisions of the Public Statutes been complied with, would be extinguished at maturity. To illustrate :

On August 1, 1889, a loan of \$8,500 was contracted for the widening of Allen Street and the building of Highland Avenue. This loan falls due August 1, 1899. According to Public Statutes, Chap. 29, Sec. 9, . . . "when [a debt is] payable at a period not exceeding ten years, the city or town shall raise by taxation annually not less than eight per cent

of the principal thereof, and shall set apart the same for a sinking fund until an amount is raised sufficient, with its accumulations, to extinguish the debt at its maturity; and shall raise any balance necessary for such extinguishment by taxation in the year before the maturity of the debt."

Sec. 1 of Chap. 133, Acts of 1882: ". . . Any city or town required by Chap. 29 of the Public Statutes to establish a sinking fund for the payment of its indebtedness may, instead thereof, by a majority vote, provide for the payment of such indebtedness in such annual proportionate payments as will extinguish the same within the time prescribed in said chapter; and when such vote has heretofore or shall be hereafter passed, the amount required thereby shall, without further vote, be assessed by the assessors in each year thereafter until the debt shall be extinguished. . . ."

According to these provisions, either plan should have been adopted and we should have today on hand an amount sufficient to pay the entire loan. Instead, however, appropriations have been made for the past ten years to cover the *interest only*; the principal still remains unprovided for, and we have no funds with which to meet its payment in the coming August. Furthermore, a note of \$6,300 becoming due in 1900 and a note of \$3,000 becoming due in 1901, each issued for a similar purpose, have been ignored in the same way, the interest only having been provided for.

These facts call in the loudest terms for immediate action by the establishment of a sinking fund. The payment of the notes falling due August 1, next, must also be specifically provided for.

Another source of annoyance is the present state of the treasury in regard to current expenses. Several times during the past year we have been sorely pressed for money, and experience has taught that each year under our present system encompasses us with more difficulties than the one

preceding it. Our borrowing capacity is annually decreasing, as the following application will show :

The tax levy of any year is supposed to cover the appropriations of that year — nothing more — and is never wholly collected at the end of the year. The current expenses, on the other hand, accrue as regularly as the sun rises and sets, and the entire amount is presented for payment within the financial year. Now as the taxes which are intended to meet the payment of these expenses, and which comprise our only source of revenue, are not entirely collected in one year, and as the expenses must be paid, and as we cannot pay something with nothing, our only course is to borrow in anticipation of these outstanding taxes, and make the date of payment overlap on another year. This overlapping process, while perfectly legal, gives a false sense of security, and when carried on in ever increasing amounts for a long period of time will eventually bring us to a point where we must call a halt, and we are dangerously near that point at the present time.

It will be seen by consulting the financial statement that there are outstanding nearly \$27,000 in taxes. This virtually means that expenses to the amount of \$27,000 have been contracted and paid by borrowing on this overlapping process. It will also be seen that we owe in notes in anticipation of these taxes \$22,000. These notes become due and must be paid at various periods in 1899. They cannot be renewed, and unless we have the actual cash with which to pay them — which experience shows will not be the case — they can only be paid by the substitution of notes in anticipation of the taxes of 1899. This method will take \$22,000 directly out of the \$35,000 we are authorized to borrow, and really give the town a borrowing capacity of only \$13,000 to meet the expenses of the entire year.

Every dollar spent over any appropriation adds to the

debt of the town ; but, furthermore, every dollar of such additional debt and every dollar of an increase in uncollected taxes takes a like amount from this \$13,000 ; so that, as I have before stated, our borrowing capacity is decreasing every year.

With this explanation, a glance at the following table, showing the respective amounts of uncollected taxes at the end of each financial year for the past fifteen years, may prove of interest and will throw some light on our present financial stringency.

Amounts of uncollected taxes at dates given :

March 1, 1885,	\$3,328 26	Dec. 31, 1892,	\$11,995 26
1, 1886,	5,303 84	31, 1893,	14,831 78
1, 1887,	4,085 81	31, 1894,	15,362 74
1, 1888,	9,258 69	31, 1895,	18,936 20
1, 1889,	7,306 48	31, 1896,	25,162 46
1, 1890,	8,671 13	31, 1897,	25,813 98
1, 1891,	10,036 07	31, 1898,	26,818 63
Dec. 31, 1891,	11,811 00		

As before stated (I feel I cannot too strongly impress this point), every dollar of this amount outstanding represents a dollar of expense which has been paid by borrowing, and which, therefore, reduces our borrowing capacity by a like amount. The oft-repeated assertions that "the town can borrow" (implying unlimited amounts) and that "the town is making money by the delay in payment of taxes" (implying that since we borrow money at about four per cent and receive six per cent we should be only too glad to encourage this delay), will upon a little reflection appear utterly unworthy of notice, since the first assertion can be refuted by the statement that our borrowing capacity is limited, and the second by the statement that our loans *must* be repaid within one year, to say nothing of the fact

that the figures in the treasurer's interest account show the assertion to be untrue.

In regard to the state of the treasury as affected by these features, the treasurer does not hold himself responsible. On one point, however, he admits culpability — in neglecting to ask during the past two years an appropriation to cover the "expense" account. This account is comprised of court fees and fees for the returns of births, marriages and deaths, all of which are regulated by law, yet which are to be paid out of the money raised by taxation, and which, therefore, should be covered by an appropriation, yet so far as I can discover none has ever been asked or granted.

The amounts paid for returns of births, marriages and deaths will vary but little from year to year, but the amount of the court fees is an uncertain quantity. A retrospect of the past fifteen years will throw some light on the subject of our town debt and how it accrued, and will clearly prove that the little items annually accumulating will amount in a few years to a sum which refuses to be ignored. I present, therefore, in detail, the "Expense" account for the past fifteen years, representing amounts paid but unprovided for by taxation :

1884, net \$214 00	1889, net \$401 53	1894, net \$349 94
1885, " 256 60	1890, " 438 71	1895, " 412 36
1886, " 624 05	1891, " 310 31	1896, " 248 62
1887, " 501 99	1892, " 889 36	1897, " 135 16
1888, " 435 17	1893, " 809 51	1898, " 267 57

It appears safe to assume, when a single item of this kind ignored for fifteen years amounts to over \$6,000 of town debt, that a large portion of our debt has accrued in just such a way as this ; that while the gain has been imperceptible, it has been gradual and continual, until now it has assumed alarming proportions.

The treasurer is a firm believer in the good results to be attained by submitting tables of comparison; figures will tell the story of good or ill results in a concise and truthful manner, and will act at once as judge and jury.

In summing up, careful deliberation is requested on the following points :

1. Specific action in relation to the notes falling due August 1, 1899.
2. The establishment of a sinking fund for the payment of the town debt.
3. The adoption of more stringent measures for the collection of taxes.
4. The appropriation of amounts sufficient to cover current expenses.

The interest account is presented herewith :

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

Appropriation	\$2,500 00
Interest received on overdue taxes	1,058 68
Interest received on bank deposits	56 72
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	\$3,615 40

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By payment of interest :	
On street loans	\$712 00
On anticipation of taxes loans	1,155 70
On all other town notes	1,557 75
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	\$3,425 45
Amount unexpended	<hr/> \$189 95

DR. JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT

Balance on hand December 31, 1897		\$3,606 29
Received :		
From money borrowed on notes		70,000 00
Taxes of 1895 (additional)	\$11 80	
1896	6,623 26	
1897	9,500 00	
1898	22,500 00—	38,635 06
State Treasurer :		
Massachusetts school fund, 1897	\$281 28	
Massachusetts school fund, 1898	294 43	
corporation tax, balance of 1897	149 78	
corporation tax, in part, 1898	3,685 25	
National Bank tax, 1898	1,945 06	
military aid, 1897	312 00	
State aid, 1897	2,624 50	
burial soldiers	70 00—	9,362 30
Selectmen for sundry accounts		749 01
other towns, pauper account :		
Milton	\$94 68	
Canton	30 00	
Weymouth	42 00	
Braintree, 1897	60 00	
Braintree, 1898	60 00	
Taunton	52 00	
Avon	6 15	
Boston	14 15	
Holbrook	401 25	
Milford	1 25—	761 48
interest :		
on deposits	\$56 72	
on taxes	1,058 68	
premium on notes	143 85—	1,259 25
dog money refunded :		
on licenses of 1897	\$469 96	
on licenses of 1898	424 28—	894 24
licenses of various kinds		20 00
School Committee :		
interest on Coddington fund	\$64 00	
final dividend on National Bank stock .	7 28	
sale of sundries	1 35—	72 63
Fire Department : use of steamer, Quincy,		35 00
all other sources :		
aid refunded	\$50 00	
Court fees : Quincy	56 46	
Court fees : Dedham	7 00—	113 46
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		\$125,508 69

WITH THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

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Paid treasury notes	\$65,000 00	
orders of the Selectmen	55,984 27	
State tax	1,260 00	
County tax	1,875 00	
Court fees :		
Thomas Farrell	\$45 94	
Fred W. Vye	45 79	
E. L. Payne	6 57	
F. J. Donahoe	14 69	
E. F. Knight	112 22	
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records of births, marriages and deaths :		
Dr. Farnham	\$0 50	
Dr. Chase	3 25	
Dr. Granger	11 75	
Dr. Kinnier	5 00	
John B. Wren	8 50	
R. Houghton	11 75	
R. Forrest	15 00	
J. T. Leahy	69 75	
	<hr/>	125 50
service representative warrant		5 00
new book, revenue stamps, cancelling stamps and indexing		25 32
Cash balance in hands of Treasurer December 31, 1898,		1,008 39
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		\$125,508 69

CONDENSED MONTHLY STATEMENTS.

MONTHS.	RECEIPTS.						EXPENDITURES.			BALANCE.	
	Taxes.	Select- men, sundry accounts.	Money borrowed on town notes.	Interest.	Other towns, pauper account.	State Treasurer.	All other sources.	Orders of Selectmen.	Court fees, B. M. & D., etc.		Town notes.
December, 1897,											
January . . .	\$1,500 00	\$22 21		\$6 30	\$125 93	\$281 28	\$469 96	\$1,628 79		\$3,000 00	\$3,606 26
February . . .	1,000 00				160 15		57 28	2,571 21			792 51
March . . .	1,500 00		\$14,000 00		14 15	149 78	34 00	4,557 83	\$25 00	4,000 00	29 37
April . . .	1,000 00		30,000 00				16 99	5,197 78		30,000 00	7,144 47
May . . .	1,000 00	79 35	3,000 00	6 47			37 00	4,803 85	3 57		2,963 68
June . . .	1,800 00	124 50		5 48			19 44	3,340 26	95 73		2,279 08
July . . .	1,100 00	40 00		77				1,666 32	41 44		792 51
August . . .	3,103 00	31 00	15,000 00				7 00	1,990 16	17 39	15,000 00	225 52
September . . .	4,800 00	49 35	5,000 00	143 85			2 00	3,989 27	56 43		1,355 97
October . . .	18,323 26	125 76					6 77	11,717 22	10 97		7,305 47
November . . .	2,000 00	9 70		5 48			37 00	3,037 69		10,000 00	14,033 07
December . . .	1,511 80	267 14	3,000 00	1,090 90	461 25	8,931 24	447 89	11,483 89	*3,265 50	3,000 00	3,047 56
Totals, 1898 . .	\$38,635 06	\$749 01	\$70,000 00	\$1,259 25	\$761 48	\$9,362 30	\$1,135 33	\$55,984 27	*\$3,516 03	\$65,000 00	\$1,008 39
Totals, 1897 . .	41,436 00	1,071 25	67,000 00	956 64	998 50	8,726 78	719 66	*56,640 56	324 89	64,500 00	3,606 26
Totals, 1896 . .	35,000 00	996 28	57,600 00	1,505 51	1,028 75	9,575 60	610 81	*54,228 56	332 23	53,600 00	4,162 68

* Includes State and county tax.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

LIABILITIES.

Treasury notes :

Turner Free Library, 4 per cent .	\$5,000 00	
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent .	10,000 00	
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent .	5,000 00	
Coddington Fund, 4 per cent .	1,600 00	
One note (renewal), 5 per cent .	15,000 00	
Nine notes (Allen Street and Highland Avenue), 4 per cent .	8,500 00	
Three notes (Liberty and Lafayette Streets), 4 per cent .	6,300 00	
One note (Liberty and Lafayette and North Streets), 4 per cent .	3,000 00	
Four notes (anticipation of taxes) .	22,000 00	
Ten notes (road plant) .	5,000 00	
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	\$81,400 00	
Interest on above notes (estimated)	537 98	
	<hr/>	\$81,937 98

ASSETS.

Salt marsh, Quincy .	\$300 00
Unpaid taxes of 1896 (additional) .	12 87
Unpaid taxes of 1897 .	7,992 85
Unpaid taxes of 1898 .	17,007 91
Interest due on taxes (estimated) .	1,805 00
State aid to be refunded .	2,593 00
Military aid to be refunded .	281 00
Burial expenses to be refunded .	105 00
Balance Bank and Corporation tax 1898,	74 94

Due from other towns . . .	\$284 48	
Cash in hands of treasurer . .	1,008 39	
	<hr/>	\$31,465 44
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1898 . . .		\$50,472 54
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1897 . . .		43,503 68
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Increase of debt in 1898		\$6,968 86

RANDOLPH, February 8, 1899.

The undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

C. G. HATHAWAY.
M. F. CUNNINGHAM.
R. P. BARRETT.

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETINGS

IN 1898.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 7, 1898.

Pursuant to a warrant issued by the Selectmen of Randolph, dated February 14, 1898, duly served and returned by Edwin F. Knight, calling on the inhabitants of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to take action on the thirty-eight articles contained therein, the qualified voters assembled in Stetson Hall on Monday, March 7, 1898.

The Town Clerk administered the oath of office to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, who had been appointed ballot clerks, and delivered to them a package containing 1,575 regular and 75 special ballots, taking their receipt therefor. Before the opening of the polls, cards of instruction, specimen ballots, etc., were placed outside the polling place, as required by law.

At six o'clock A.M. the meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and officer's return, and called for action under—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Voted, no one objecting, that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for John T. Flood for Moderator, which being done Mr. Flood was declared elected and took charge of the meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Voted, that we proceed to ballot for all such town officers as towns are by law authorized to choose at their annual meeting, viz.: A Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, one Superintending School Committee, three Auditors, seven Constables, three Fish Wardens, one Trustee Stetson School Fund, one Water Commissioner and a Collector of Taxes; also on same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?" That the polls be kept open until two o'clock P.M.; that Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 of the warrant be referred to a committee of seven to be appointed by the Moderator, said committee to report at an adjournment of this meeting, and when this meeting adjourns it shall be to Monday, March 21, 1898, at 7.30 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of taking action upon report of said committee.

The following named persons were appointed as the committee on appropriations:

John V. Beal.

Charles G. Hathaway.

John K. Willard.

John J. Browne.

James A. Brennan.

John H. Field.

Royal T. Mann.

The Moderator administered the oath of office to the following election officers appointed by the Selectmen: At check-list, John K. Willard, Dexter T. Clark; deputy ballot clerks, William A. Croak, Edward T. Hand; he also appointed and administered the oath of office to Frank H.

Tileston, officer at ballot box. Thomas Farrell and Frank J. Donahoe were appointed officers at the gates.

The ballot box was examined, found in good order, and shown to the meeting as empty; it was then locked, the key was delivered to the officer at the gate, and the polls were declared open for the reception of ballots.

During the time of balloting the ballot box was, with the unanimous consent of the election officers, thrice opened and the ballots were removed, viz.:

At 8.37 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 382 ballots cast.

At 10.33 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 595 ballots cast.

At 1.08 o'clock P.M., when the register showed 828 ballots cast.

The Moderator administered the oath of office to the following persons appointed tellers by the Selectmen:

Royal T. Mann.	Ezra Holbrook.
John H. Field.	William B. Spear.
Nelson Mann.	James F. Sullivan.
Fred L. Belcher.	John E. McDonald.
Frank A. Long.	Franklin W. Hayden.
William W. Hurley.	Fred H. Alden.

The ballot box registered correctly until noon; the count at 1.08 o'clock, however, showed a difference of eight votes. At two o'clock it was voted to close the polls.

The register of the ballot box showed 846 ballots, but the ballot clerk's list and the election officers' check-list showed but 838 names checked—837 males and 1 female. The Moderator counted 837 regular ballots and 1 ballot for School Committee only.

During the canvass of the ballots, the following persons were elected to fill these offices:

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

*Daniel B. White.	Joseph T. Leahy.
Charles D. Hill.	Royal T. Mann.
Charles Prescott.	*Charles F. Bean.

POUND KEEPER.

*George R. Weaver.

FIELD DRIVERS.

William F. Barrett.	*John Johnston.
*Edgar G. Furber.	Archer W. Delano.
*Thomas S. O'Brien.	*James H. Reilley.

The following articles were also acted on :

Article 18. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Voted, unanimously, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Randolph in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to not more than thirty-five thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum ; all debts incurred under this vote by the town shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 19. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be re-

*Oath of office taken.

funded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or refund any or all notes of the town now outstanding, that may be now due or on demand or that may become due during the present year.

Article 21. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

Voted to accept the list of Jurors as published by the Selectmen with the exception of James E. Blanche, Albert M. Macomber and James H. Wales, who are excused.

The following is the list of jurors accepted :

Arth, Ernst	Forrest, Richard
Batchelder, Harland P.	Gibbons, William
Baker, M. Wales	Good, William
Brennan, William	Holbrook, Columbus
Campion, John P.	Holbrook, Albert H.
Clark, Dexter T.	Jones, Rufus
Casey, Peter	King, Evander F.
Clark, Hugh	Leach, John
Clark, S. Melvin	Leahy, Joseph T.
Cole, Charles H.	Lewis, Wellington
Croak, William A.	Long, Frank A.
Curran, John	Mann, Edwin M.
Dennehey, Daniel D.	Mann, Lucius H.
Devine, Edward J.	Mann, Nelson
Donavan, Michael A.	Mahady, William
English, Nicholas	May, John
Elliott, George A.	McGaughey, Moses
French, Fred A.	McLaughlin, Patrick H.
French, Fred M.	Molloy, James
Frizzell, William	Montsie, Frederick W.

Niles, Amasa S.	Riley, Thomas
Niles, Isaac	Scanlan, Maurice E.
O'Connell, Michael J.	Sheridan, Michael
Palmer, James W.	Snow, Hiram
Poole, Marcus M.	Stetson, Francis E.
Porter, Franklin	Spear, William B.
Porter, William	Taber, Edwin A.
Roberts, William R.	Tolman, Nathan A.
Reynolds, George A.	Vye, Frederick W.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Voted that the Selectmen be so authorized and appointed.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Voted that the Water Commissioners be so authorized and appointed.

The ballots having been sorted and counted in open town meeting, declaration of the result was made as follows :

Whole number of ballots cast	.	.	.	.	838
(837 regular and 1 special.)					

FOR TOWN CLERK.

*†Joseph T. Leahy	648	Scattering	.	.	.	2
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	187

FOR TOWN TREASURER.

*†Joseph T. Leahy	620	Scattering	.	.	.	2
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	215

FOR SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Winthrop B. Atherton,	239	*†Patrick H. McLaugh-				
*†Minot Wales Baker,	401	lin	.	.	.	465
Franklin Porter	209	*†Peter B. Hand	.	.	.	482
Charles H. Thayer	379	Blanks	.	.	.	336

FOR SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

†Michael A. Donavan,	372	Thomas A. Kennedy,	346
Blanks	.	.	98

FOR WATER COMMISSIONERS, THREE YEARS.

Edmund Cottle	292	*†Peter B. Hand	480
Blanks	.	.	65

FOR AUDITORS.

†Redmond P. Barrett,	443	William E. McGerigle,	340
†Michael F. Cuning-		W. Ray Spear	285
ham,	412	*†Charles G. Hathaway,	429
Blanks	.	.	602

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

*†Fred M. French	580	Seth Mann, 2d	1
Blanks	.	.	256

* Oath of office taken. † Elected.

FOR FISH WARDENS.

Michael Kiley . . .	286	†S. Austin Thayer . .	313
Luke Mulligan . . .	311	*†Charles A. Wales . .	402
*†George F. Taylor . .	416	Scattering . . .	3
Blanks . . .	780		

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

*†Charles F. Bean . .	444	*†Stillman B. Woodman, .	441
*†Simon B. Corliss . .	451	Scattering . . .	7
Blanks . . .	1168		

FOR CONSTABLES.

*†James E. Blanche . .	569	E. Lawrence Payne . .	225
*†Frank J. Donahoe . .	606	Hiram Snow . . .	205
*†Thomas Farrell . .	476	*†Lincoln Stetson . .	495
*†Joseph H. Foster . .	458	*†Michael F. Sullivan, .	413
*†E. Forrest Knight . .	436	Frederick W. Vye . .	315
Nicholas Linnehan . .	285	Scattering . . .	5
Blanks . . .	1335		

SHALL LICENSE BE GRANTED?

Yes	330	No	420
Blanks	87		

The ballots, unused ballots, and both check-lists were sealed up in open town meeting, certified by the election officers, and at 6.35 o'clock P.M. it was—

Voted to adjourn.

A true record.

Attest : JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

* Oath of office taken. † Elected.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday the twenty-first day of March instant, at seven o'clock P.M., then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will authorize the Brockton Street Railway Company to act within the limits of said town as a common carrier of small parcels, weighing not more than twenty-five pounds each, under the provisions of Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1897.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this ninth day of March A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER,

Selectmen of Randolph.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, March 18, 1898.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town, eight days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said town.

FRANK J. DONAHOE,

Constable of Randolph.

A true copy of warrant and return.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 21, 1898.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, assembled in Stetson Hall at seven o'clock on Monday evening, March 21, 1898.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and officer's return and called for choice of a Moderator under Article 1.

Voted, no one objecting, that the Town Clerk cast one ballot for John T. Flood, which was done, and Mr. Flood was declared elected and took charge of the meeting.

Article 2. Voted that this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,

Town Clerk.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 21, 1898.

The meeting adjourned from March 7th to this date was called to order at 7.30 o'clock P.M., by the Moderator.

The committee on appropriations presented to each voter a printed report of their recommendations, the caption of which, as presented herewith, gives the reasons guiding them in their decisions; no greater proof of approbation of their efforts can be adduced than the fact that every article save one (Article 16) was disposed of in accordance with their recommendation.

To the Voters of Randolph:

Your Committee, to whom were referred the articles of the annual town meeting warrant not disposed of at the meeting held on the seventh day of March, 1898, having carefully considered the same, submit the following report. In any action which may be taken thereon, it is hoped that the voters will bear in mind that the high rate of taxation imposed upon the town last year was not only burdensome but detrimental to its growth. Your Committee have labored most assiduously to bring the rate for the present fiscal year within the limit of \$20 on \$1,000. All recommendations of refusal, postponement, and reduction of appropriations asked on the various articles of said warrant have been made and suggested to the end that a lower rate of taxation may be attained.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN V. BEAL,
C. G. HATHAWAY,
JOHN J. BROWNE,
JOHN H. FIELD,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
JAMES A. BRENNAN,
ROYAL T. MANN.

Randolph, March 17, 1898.

The articles were taken up in numerical order and disposed of as follows :

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Voted, that the reports of the annual town officers for the year ending December 31, 1897, be accepted.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$9,300 be raised and appropriated, as follows :

For teaching	\$7,425 00
Care of rooms	575 00
Fuel	400 00
Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and general repairs	700 00
Books and supplies	1,000 00
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	\$10,100 00
Less estimated revenue from dog tax, State school tax and Coddington fund	800 00
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Total	\$9,300 00

And that the sum of \$2,200 be raised and appropriated for Stetson High School ; and in addition thereto, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Trustees, for the support of said Stetson High School, the amount of bank tax received by him and arising from the investment known as the Stetson School Fund.

It is also voted that the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized and directed to borrow upon notes of the town of Randolph such sums of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, as may be required to pay the expenses incurred for the support of schools, including Stetson

High School, from January 1, 1899, to March 1 in said year, and that said notes thus issued shall be a part and be paid from the money raised and appropriated for the support of schools for the year 1899.

Article 6. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$5,800 be raised and appropriated for repairs of highways, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, as follows :

General repairs, including sidewalks	. . . \$3,300 00
Paving	500 00
Removing snow	2,000 00
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Total	\$5,800 00

Article 7. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$13,000 be raised and appropriated therefor as follows :

Miscellaneous expenses	\$1,800 00
Poor in almshouse	1,600 00
Poor out of almshouse	3,200 00
Soldiers' relief	300 00
Soldiers' relief in Randolph and Holbrook	500 00
Military aid	250 00
Town officers	2,500 00
Interest on town debt	2,500 00
Board of Health	100 00
Lockup expenses	250 00
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Total	\$13,000 00

Also that the interest on the taxes and deposits during the year 1898 be appropriated towards the payment of interest on the town debt.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,085 be raised and appropriated, as follows :

For regular running expenses	.	.	.	\$800 00
For hour service at fires (estimated)	.	.	.	225 00
For insurance	.	.	.	100 00
For repairs	.	.	.	100 00
For fires in woodland	.	.	.	100 00
For pay of firemen	.	.	.	660 00
For repairs of chemical engine	.	.	.	100 00
Total	.	.	.	<u>\$2,085 00</u>

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Voted, that the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund as required by law to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and contributed to the sinking fund to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan when due.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for hydrants, street service, public buildings and drinking fountains.

Article 12. To see what action the town will take in rela-

tion to lighting the streets by electricity, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,300 be raised and appropriated for lighting the streets by electricity, in accordance with the written contract made with Charles Doughty and now in force.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to place two additional lights on Belcher Street, as petitioned for by W. D. Hatchfield and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the additional lighting of Belcher Street be postponed for the present year.

Article 14. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place electric lights on High Street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Lewis B. Paine and others.

Voted, that the lighting of High Street be postponed for the present year.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to place four additional lights on Mill Street, as petitioned for by Michael Brady and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the additional lighting of Mill Street be postponed for the present year.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888, as amended, and to unite with the town of Holbrook, or with any other town or towns in the discretion of the School Committee, to employ a superintendent of schools, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the bond of the Tax Collector for the year 1898, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Mr. French, the Collector, having suggested to the committee that the town take no action upon this article, it was voted that action thereon be indefinitely postponed.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1898-99, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1898-99, and that the sum of \$120 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 22. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Voted, that three-fourths of one per cent be allowed for the collection of taxes.

Article 23. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on the northerly side of West Street, from the junction of Lafayette Street, and raise and appropriate money therefor, as petitioned for by Clarence L. Hagar and others.

Voted, that the building of a sidewalk on West Street, as petitioned for under this article, be postponed for the present year.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to complete the widening of West Street, between Fowler Street and Warren Street, as petitioned for by John Sullivan and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the widening of West Street, as petitioned for under this article, be postponed for the present year.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from its present terminus on Mill Street to the residence of Charles F. Doonan, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend the water pipes as petitioned for in said article, and that the expense thereof be met by the proceeds from the sale of one or more bonds.

Article 26. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to remove the building known as "Matthew Clark building" by razing or otherwise.

Voted, that the matter suggested under Article 26 be committed to the Selectmen, who shall act thereon in such manner as in their judgment shall be for the best interest of the town.

Article 27. To see if the town will grant permission to the Veteran Fireman's Association to erect a building on land in rear of Stetson Hall for an engine house.

Voted, that the matter suggested under Article 27 be committed to the Selectmen, to take such action thereon as shall be deemed expedient.

Article 28. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care and keeping in repair the clocks in the towers of the First Congregational and First Baptist churches, also the clock in Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that action thereon be indefinitely postponed.

Article 29. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Voted, that the town instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers, or direct officers elected by the town, to enforce all the laws of the Commonwealth, and that the sum of \$500 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 30. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, said sum to be apportioned equally among the several physicians, and to be in full for attendance upon all persons under the care of the Overseers of the Poor for one year from January 1, 1898. That is to say, each physician resident in the town on the first of March, 1898, shall receive the sum of \$50 for his services, provided he makes fifty visits during the year; after that he shall receive no

compensation for his services, but shall attend such of the poor as may call upon him for his services ; those physicians that make less than fifty visits shall receive pay at the rate of one dollar for each of said visits.

Article 31. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Voted, that each person employed by the town shall receive such sum of money as is equal to the value of his labor, and that the laborers residing in town and the residents owning teams shall be employed in preference to any others.

Article 34. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest, at the rate of six per centum per annum, on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1898.

Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 35. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 36. To see what action the town will take in relation to improved methods of constructing and repairing the highways, and raise and appropriate money for that purpose.

Voted, that the Selectmen, with the approval of said Committee on Improved Roads, purchase for the town a steam roller, a crusher, bins, belts, etc., a portable engine and boiler, the cost of all of which shall not exceed the sum of \$5,000, and that the Treasurer be authorized and directed to borrow the money for the payment thereof at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, and that the town treasury note or notes approved by the Selectmen be issued therefor in such manner that \$500 of the amount so borrowed shall become due and payable in one year from the date of borrowing, and \$500 each year thereafter until the whole sum of \$5,000 shall become due and paid.

Article 37. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that action on this article be postponed for the present year.

Voted, that we reconsider the vote whereby it was voted that this article be postponed for the present year.

Voted, that this article be postponed for the present.

Article 38. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

No action was taken on this article, as no committee was ready to report.

Voted, that the sum of \$20.00 be paid Mr. John T. Flood for services as Moderator.

Mr. Flood, having expressed his thanks, directed the Treasurer to pay that amount to Post 110, G.A.R., for its monument fund.

The total appropriations for 1898 :

For support of schools under Article 5 . . .	\$11,500 00
highways under Article 6	5,800 00
general town expenses under Article 7 . . .	13,000 00
fire department under Article 8	2,085 00
Grand Army Post No. 110, under Article 9, . . .	100 00
contributions to sinking fund under Article 10, . . .	3,000 00
water for hydrants, public buildings, etc., under Article 11	2,000 00
street lighting by electricity under Article 12, . . .	3,300 00
insurance on Town Treasurer's bond under Article 20	120 00
enforcement of laws under Article 29	500 00
medical attendance under Article 30	300 00
State tax	1,260 00
County tax	1,875 00
Total	<hr/> \$44,840 00

Voted, at 9.20 P.M., to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph:

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall in said town, on Thursday the twenty-second day of September instant, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to close the ungraded school on North Street (District No. 5) for such length of time as the School Committee shall deem expedient; and will grant and vote money to convey the pupils in said district to and from the public school building in District No. 10, the same to be expended by the School Committee in their discretion.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with

your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this twelfth day of September A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER,

Selectmen of Randolph.

NORFOLK, SS.

RANDOLPH, September 20th.

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town seven days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, September 22, 1898.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, assembled in Stetson Hall, on Thursday the twenty-second day of September A.D. 1898.

The Town Clerk called the meeting to order at 7.30 o'clock P.M., and read the warrant and officer's return.

John T. Flood was elected Moderator.

Voted, unanimously, that the School Committee are hereby authorized to close the ungraded school on North Street in District No. 5 for such time as in their opinion it is desirable that instruction there be discontinued, and that they are further authorized and empowered to make such arrangements as are necessary to convey the pupils in said district to and from the public school building on Belcher Street, and to expend such sums as said Committee may deem requisite therefor out of the moneys raised and appropriated by the town for school purposes at the last annual town meeting.

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

ELECTION WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

You are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, to assemble in Stetson Hall in said town, on Tuesday the eighth day of November next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes to the Selectmen on one ballot: for Governor, for Lieutenant-Governor, for Secretary of the Commonwealth, for Treasurer and Receiver General, for Auditor, for Attorney General, for Councillor for District No. 2, for Senator for the First Norfolk District, for a Representative in the General Court for the Seventh Norfolk District, for a County Commissioner in and for Norfolk County, for two Special Commissioners in and for

Norfolk County, for a District Attorney for the South Eastern District, for a Register of Probate and Insolvency in and for Norfolk County, for a Sheriff in and for Norfolk County, for a Representative in the fifty-sixth Congress for the Twelfth District.

The polls for the reception of the ballots aforesaid will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and will be kept open for four hours, and such further time as the voters shall determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph, this twenty-fourth day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable of Randolph.*

NORFOLK, ss.

RANDOLPH, November 5, 1898.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, herein decribed, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town eight days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance

of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,

Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return.

Attest: JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

STATE ELECTION.

RANDOLPH, November 8, 1898.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the legal voters of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall on Tuesday, November 8, 1898. All the preliminaries required by law in relation to the polling-booths, cards and specimen ballots were complied with. The presiding officer administered the oath of office to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson as ballot clerks, and delivered to them a package containing 1,300 ballots, taking their receipt. Thomas Farrell and Joseph H. Foster were appointed officers at the gates.

The Town Clerk administered the oath of office to Fred M. French, appointed assistant at check-list, also to W. A. Croak and Edward T. Hand as deputy ballot clerks.

The warrant and officer's return were read by the presiding officer, and promptly at six o'clock the polls were declared open for the reception of ballots.

The ballot box was examined, found in apparent good order, and shown to the meeting as being empty; it was then locked and the key given to the officer at the gate.

The Town Clerk administered the oath of office to the following named tellers:

Franklin W. Hayden,
Frank A. Long,
James F. Sullivan,
John K. Willard,

Royal T. Mann,
Nelson Mann,
Fred L. Belcher,
Ezra Holbrook.

The ballot box gave perfect satisfaction all through the day ; it was opened four times during the day, viz. :

At 8.07 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 261 ballots cast.

At 9.35 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 385 ballots cast.

At 10.35 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 489 ballots cast.

At 12.54 o'clock P.M., when the register showed 704 ballots cast.

It was voted that the hour of closing the polls be fixed at two o'clock.

The hour of two o'clock having arrived, it was voted to close the polls.

The register of the ballot box showed 758 ballots cast ; the presiding officer counted out 758 ballots ; the election officers' check-list and the ballot clerks' list each showed 758 names checked.

The new ballot counting apparatus was used in canvassing and gave satisfaction.

The following is the result of the vote :

Whole number of ballots cast, 758.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Alexander B. Bruce	.	360	Samuel B. Shapleigh	.	6
George R. Peare	.	11	Roger Wolcott	.	315
Winfield P. Porter	.	3	Blanks	.	63

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Michael T. Berry	.	26	Isaac W. Skinner	.	14
W. Murray Crane	.	287	Edward J. Slattery	.	339
John L. Kilbon	.	6	Blanks	.	86

FOR SECRETARY.

Charles H. Bradley	. 32	William M. Olin	. 286
Henry A. Inman	. 5	James F. Stevens	. 14
Henry Lloyd	. . 301	Blanks	. . 120

FOR TREASURER.

Martha Moore Avery	. 18	Herbert Morley Small,	3
Harry J. Jaquith	. 319	Charles W. White	. 14
Edward P. Shaw	. 283	Blanks	. . 121

FOR AUDITOR.

Charles S. Grieves	. 22	Charles F. Parker	. 316
John W. Kimball	. 279	Walter E. Sanford	. 4
John Palme	. . 12	Blanks	. . 125

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Patrick Kilroy	. . 366	Clarence E. Spellman,	12
Hosea M. Knowlton	. 285	Blanks	. . 95

FOR COUNCILLOR.

William W. Davis	. 278	Harrison Dunham	. 348
Blanks	. . 132		

FOR SENATOR.

George R. R. Rivers	. 396	George Parrish	. 1
B. Herbert Woodsum	. 284	Blanks	. . 77

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL COURT.

Charles F. King	. 469	George T. Wilde	. 277
Blanks	. . 12		

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Thomas Blanchard .	280	J. W. Richardson .	1
Charles O. Sanderson .	364	Blanks . . .	113

FOR SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.

John Everett . . .	271	Lewis R. Whitaker .	229
Robert B. Martin .	317	Blanks . . .	381
Timothy F. Quinn .	318		

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Charles A. Gilday .	363	Robert O. Harris .	308
Blanks . . .			87

FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

Jonathan Cobb . . .	528	John E. Boyle . . .	1
Blanks . . .			229

FOR SHERIFF.

Samuel H. Capen .	522	Scattering . . .	3
Blanks . . .			233

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.

Philip E. Brady .	356	Jeremiah O'Fihelly .	22
William C. Lovering .	286	Blanks . . .	94

The ballots, unused ballots and both check-lists were sealed up in open town meeting, returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and Clerk of the Courts, and at 4.46 o'clock P.M. the meeting was dissolved.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

MEETING OF TOWN CLERKS.

RANDOLPH, MASS., November 18, 1898.

We, the undersigned, Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph, comprising Representative District number seven in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at an election duly held at the respective towns aforesaid on the eighth day of November, 1898, to vote for one representative in the General Court, the following votes were given :

	A.	H.	R.	Total.
Charles F. King, of Holbrook,	150	210	469	829
George T. Wilde, of Holbrook,	148	255	277	681
Blanks	3	9	12	24
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Total vote of each town and the district	301	475	758	1,534

MORTIMER D. RICHARDSON, *Town Clerk of Avon.*

GEORGE T. WILDE, *Town Clerk of Holbrook.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk of Randolph.*

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble in Stetson Hall in said town on Friday, the sixteenth day of December instant, at seven thirty o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will appropriate money to pay for the removal of snow from the highways.

Article 3. To see if the town will appropriate money for the support of the poor.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this seventh day of December A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER,
Selectmen of Randolph.

NORFOLK SS.

RANDOLPH, December 14.

Pursuant to the warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, herein described, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting up attested copies of this warrant at ten public places in said town eight days before the time set for holding said meeting; and I have likewise caused the substance of said warrant to be published in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper printed in said town.

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,
Constable.

A true copy of warrant and return.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, December 16, 1898.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the qualified voters of the town of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall on Friday evening, December 16, 1898.

The Town Clerk called the meeting to order at 7.30 o'clock, and, having read the warrant and return, called for action under Article 1.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for John T. Flood for Moderator. The ballot being cast, Mr. Flood was declared elected.

Article 2. Voted (by more than a two-thirds vote), that the town grant and vote the sum of fifteen hundred (\$1,500) dollars for the expense incurred and to be incurred prior to the next annual town meeting for the removal of snow from the highways of the town, and to that end that the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to borrow said sum upon the note or notes of the town, and that said note or notes be paid from the money to be raised and appropriated for the repairs of highways for the year 1899.

Article 3. Voted, unanimously, that the town grant and vote the sum of eight hundred (\$800) dollars for the support of the poor prior to the next annual town meeting, and to that end that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow said sum upon the note or notes of the town, and that said note or notes be paid from the money to be raised and appropriated for the support of the poor for the year 1899.

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

APPOINTMENTS RECORDED BY THE TOWN CLERK IN 1898.

Superintendent of Almshouse : George R. Weaver.

Agent of Board of Health : Joseph T. Leahy.

Inspector of Animals and Provisions : Dr. A. L. Chase.

Field Driver : Adoniram A. Payne.

Superintendent of Streets : Stillman B. Woodman.

Keeper of Lockup : Arthur W. Alden.

Scaler of Weights and Measures : Dexter T. Clark.

Burial Agent : William A. Croak.

Registrar of Voters : Herbert W. Pratt.

Special Police without pay : Leonard Pierce, Thomas J. Kiernan, Frank W. Harris, Frederick W. Vye, Charles F. Bean, Thomas B. Jones, Albert H. Holbrook, E. Lawrence Payne.

Special Police with pay : John Haney.

Jurors drawn.—Grand : Wellington Lewis. Traverse : William Mahady, Nicholis English, Amasa S. Niles, Hiram Snow, Evander F. King, Maurice E. Scanlon, William B. Spear.

REPORT ON TOWN RECORDS.

In previous reports mention has been made of deficiencies in our older records of births, marriages, and deaths. Inquiry has developed the fact that in the years 1857 and 1858 series of articles, written by the late Dr. Ebenezer Alden, were published in the "Randolph Transcript," treating of Randolph history and furnishing records which, though unofficial, owing to lack of proof of correctness, are yet valuable as references to those interested in genealogical and historical subjects.

Further search brought to light the fact that there were in existence church records containing entries which were never returned to the Town Clerk for record. These records, over which the clerk has hastily glanced with a view of comparison, will rectify many omissions and go far toward filling up the wide gap now existing in our records. In the records of marriage alone, that being by far the most easy to compare, 363 entries were found which were not on record in our town books.

When we consider that the number of marriages in any one year as compared with the number of births and deaths in the same year is in the proportion of 1 to 3, an idea can be obtained of the importance of these records. They were submitted to the Commissioner of Public Records, and after careful consideration it was deemed best to lay the matter in detail before the town to decide as to the advisability of transcribing the records.

If the town should decide to authorize a copy to be made, an appropriation would be necessary to defray the expense, and the question being one of advisability rather than compulsion, the Clerk refrains from making, at this particular time, any recommendation.

During the past year the work of indexing the records, mentioned in the last report, was completed.

Attention is again called to Section 14 of Chapter 444, Acts of 1897, which provides for the correction of errors and the supplying of omissions in our records, and the Clerk will furnish the necessary blanks upon request.

Notice is hereby given, in compliance with Section 17 of said Act, that the Clerk is prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians, and midwives applying therefor, blanks for the return of births as required by law.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,
Town Clerk.

TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1898.

The number of intentions of marriage, marriages, births and deaths recorded during the year 1898 was as follows :

MONTHS.	Intentions of Marriage.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.
January	2	3	7	6
February	1	1	8	3
March	1	1	10	7
April	4	4	5	4
May	1	0	5	8
June	5	6	6	4
July	1	1	11	10
August	2	2	4	9
September	1	2	7	5
October	5	5	10	12
November	2	2	10	5
December	3	2	4	10
Totals	28	29	87	83

Whole number of births recorded	87
Males	35
Females	52— 87
Parents, both native born	58
both foreign born	14
one native, one foreign	15— 87
Whole number of deaths	83
Males	39
Females	44— 83
Under five years of age	15
Between 5 and 10 years	1
10 and 20 years	3
20 and 30 years	5
30 and 40 years	8
40 and 50 years	9
50 and 60 years	7
60 and 70 years	11
70 and 80 years	17
80 and 90 years	6
Over 90 years	1— 83
Whole number of intentions of marriage	28
Whole number of marriages	29
Couples both native born	23
both foreign born	3
one foreign, one native	3— 29

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1898.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Jan. 10.	John Johnston . . .	Randolph . . .	59
	Catharine Blythe . . .	Randolph . . .	41
11.	James H. Reilley . . .	Randolph . . .	40
	Mary B. Stafford . . .	Randolph . . .	28
31.	Patrick H. McGrath . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	Anna J. Hill . . .	Boston . . .	31
Feb. 17.	William F. Barrett . . .	Randolph . . .	44
	Elizabeth W. Bennison . . . (Wren)	Randolph . . .	44
March 2.	Archie W. Delano . . .	Randolph . . .	28
	Belle R. Marchant . . .	Randolph . . .	25
April 19.	Edward F. Murphy . . .	South Boston . . .	23
	Rose G. Donahue . . .	Randolph . . .	23
25.	George H. Stetson . . .	Randolph . . .	30
	H. Mabel Holbrook . . .	Randolph . . .	23
27.	William W. Littlefield . . .	Avon . . .	28
	Emma F. Stetson . . .	Randolph . . .	22
27.	Arthur H. Holbrook . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Melissa N. Holbrook . . . (Hollis)	Randolph . . .	34
June 2.	Chester Corey . . .	Boston . . .	25
	Sarah B. Humphreys . . .	Randolph . . .	27
22.	Clifton W. Thayer . . .	Randolph . . .	28
	Jennie L. Tracy . . .	Randolph . . .	26
22.	George F. Wilson . . .	Auburndale . . .	46
	Frances Estelle Henry . . .	Randolph . . .	36
26.	James J. Morrissey . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	Alice McCarthy . . .	Boston . . .	23
28.	John F. McLaughlin . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Alice M. Shay . . .	North Abington . . .	20

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
June 29.	Herbert Lee Bradley . . .	Randolph . . .	21
	Edna Gertrude Payne . . .	Randolph . . .	23
July 20.	James Hagan . . .	Boston . . .	29
	Anna M. Kelly . . .	Randolph . . .	27
Aug. 24.	Louis F. Stetzner . . .	Rockville, Conn. . .	28
	Mary Kearns . . .	Randolph . . .	29
24.	George J. Taylor . . .	Randolph . . .	32
	J. Gertrude Holt . . .	Brockton . . .	25
Sept. 8.	Fred Henry Bisbee . . .	Canton . . .	26
	Blanche Lillian Bright . . .	Canton . . .	27
14.	Lester R. Packard . . .	Randolph . . .	38
	Esther M. Towns . . .	Randolph . . .	27
Oct. 5.	Elmer B. Paine . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Abby T. Alden . . .	Randolph . . .	22
5.	Howard Randall . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Helen A. Belcher . . .	Randolph . . .	26
25.	Alfred E. Nash . . .	Randolph . . .	21
	Marion H. Thayer . . .	Dorchester . . .	23
26.	Timothy M. O'Leary . . .	Randolph . . .	29
	Margaret L. Scanlan . . .	Randolph . . .	25
26.	John A. Sullivan . . .	Randolph . . .	30
	Annie E. Lynch . . .	Avon . . .	24
Nov. 24.	John E. Clark . . .	Randolph . . .	29
	Katharine F. Toomy . . .	Randolph . . .	22
26.	James H. Wales . . .	Randolph . . .	59
	Viola Morse . . .	Randolph . . .	37
(Hoar)			
Dec. 28.	Frederick W. Whitcomb . . .	Holbrook . . .	35
	Mary E. Goode . . .	Randolph . . .	27
28.	Joseph F. McDermott, Jr. . .	Randolph . . .	23
	Julia E. Linnehan . . .	Randolph . . .	23

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1898.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Jan. 7.	Marian S. Mann . . .	F.	Weston L. and Marian E.—Buttrick
10.	Dorothy Biennan . . .	F.	James A. and Jennie—O'Brien
16.	Annie Mulligan . . .	F.	Luke F. and Bridget A.—Harty
21.	Harold J. McDonald . . .	M.	George and Evangeline B.—Cook
27.	Mary B. Burgess . . .	F.	Nathan and Mary A.—Lagan
30.	Marguerite McLeer . . .	F.	James and Mary—Goeres
31.	Hattie M. Burrell . . .	F.	Henry G. and Emily F.—Hunt
Feb. 1.	Eva G. De Forest . . .	F.	Ray and Emma L.—Dyer
7.	Stillborn.	M.	
8.	Bertha C. Stevenson . . .	F.	James W. and Eleanor—Mingo
18.	James R. Mann . . .	M.	Rufus E. and Mary E.—Grattan
19.	Herbert F. Porter . . .	M.	Herbert A. and Hattie I.—Stetson
19.	Margaret Carroll . . .	F.	William H. and Mary A.—O'Connor
19.	Eva M. Cloutier . . .	F.	Omer and Victoria—Martel
20.	Charles H. McGrath . . .	M.	Thomas F. and Lizzie M.—Berrio
Mar. 2.	James Leo Doonan . . .	M.	Charles F. and Annie—Welch
2.	David P. Delany . . .	M.	Patrick and Bridget—Collins
4.	Winifred Hess . . .	F.	Albert and Emily G.—Zanker
4.	Ada King	F.	Alphonso and Marie—Sweeney
5.	Francis Heney	M.	Joseph J. and Katie J.—White
10.	Lillian Jessie Duly . . .	F.	Henry S. and Marjorie L.—Robb
13.	Mary Patten	F.	Thomas F. and Sarah C.—Devine
15.	Lorretta Kinnier	F.	Dennis F. and Lorretta—McAvoy
17.	Rose Meaney	F.	Patrick H. and Eliza J.—Flaherty
20.	John Collins	M.	Michael J. and Catherine—Donegan
April 5.	Arthur E. Mann	M.	Julius E. and Minnie R.—Abbott
7.	Fred Holbrook	M.	Edgar and Gertrude—Lynch
16.	Francis D. Gaynor	M.	James F. and Mary—Morgan
25.	Charles O'Keefe	M.	Bartholomew and Hannah—Ahern
26.	—Clough	F.	Henry and Florence—Gleason
May 6.	Margaret Desmond	F.	John, Jr., and Annie—Bresnihan
15.	Florence M. Carney	F.	James F. and Mary A.—Gibbons
23.	Margaret Carney	F.	William F. and Katie—Mullins
28.	William Rooney	M.	John P. and Mary—Dwyer
29.	Carrie L. Peach	F.	Henry A. and Lizzie M.—Schraut
June 2.	Mabel M. Goode	F.	James J. and Annie M.—Foley
5.	Gertrude M. Cahill	F.	Patrick J. and Mary S.—Hurley
14.	Daniel J. McNeill	M.	John B. and Mary E. McGaughey
16.	James F. Reilly, Jr.	M.	James F. and Maggie M.—Herinan
21.	William F. Lonergan	M.	Edward J. and Katherine E.—Gibbons
22.	Catherine Sullivan	F.	James F. and Elizabeth J.—Sullivan
July 1.	Mabel A. Foster	F.	Gustine and Elizabeth—McAndrews
1.	Hazel A. Hewins	F.	Andrew F. and Mabel G.—Hayden
5.	Stillborn.	M.	

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July 6.	Mabel E. Mann, } twins	F.	Edwin M. and Jennie H.—Taber
6.	Seth S. Mann, }	M.	
13.	Jessie V. Cunningham	F.	David and Adelia M.—Willens
16.	Lucy Mildred Dolan	F.	Edward J. and Julia F.—Walsh
17.	John T. O'Brien	M.	Thomas S. and Rosella—Foley
26.	Althea Roberts	F.	Allen N. and Eleanor A.—Warne
30.	Elbertha B. White	F.	George E. and Eva M.—Marland
31.	Marie Larson	F.	Peter and Marian—Truelson
Aug. 3.	Marion Hurley	F.	James H. and Margaret F.—Crone
11.	Evelyn McCue	F.	Daniel E. and Ellen M.—Cunningham
25.	Alice J. Marcella	F.	John C. and Winifred A.—Hughes
29.	Henry C. Dillon	M.	John P. and Mary A.—Kane
Sept. 2.	John T. Kiley	M.	Thomas P. and Alice—Holbrook
2.	Helen N. Smith	F.	Frank W. and Jennie—Greene
15.	Sarah Murray	F.	Thomas F. and Margaret T.—Carroll
18.	Eugene C. Farrell	M.	Thomas J. and Ella F.—Kingsley
18.	Floyd G. Burrell	M.	George P. and Susan C.—Jones
19.	Elizabeth M. Dolan	F.	Thomas F. and Katie J.—Pope
29.	Hazel G. Stetson	F.	George H. and H. Mabel—Holbrook
Oct. 1.	Joseph J. Gill	M.	William and Ellen—Leary
2.	Emma W. Beal	F.	Samuel G. and Emma L.—Peterson
11.	Eugene Foster	M.	Joseph H. and Annie M.—Reilley
11.	Ralph A. Miller	M.	Ervin P. and Eva—Cole
12.	Vivian M. Shurtleff	F.	Fred L. and Nellie G.—Mann
15.	Harold McDonald	M.	James B. and Henrietta—Shea
18.	John E. Lyons	M.	Emory J. and Mary E. L.—Fredericks
23.	Carlton N. Baker	M.	Charles D. and Josie F.—Walbridge
26.	George Bixby	M.	Fred E. and Gertrude—Harmon
31.	Hannah A. Benson	F.	William F. and Jessie—Howes
Nov. 1.	Helga G. Phillips	F.	Charles A. and Charlotte—McInnis
7.	Leo F. Manning	M.	John T. and Lizzie M.—Green
12.	James H. Johnson	M.	Harold and Charlotte E.—Brown
13.	Mary Gallagher, } twins	F.	Joseph C. and Hannah J.—Sullivan
13.	Martha Gallagher, }	F.	
14.	Margaret T. Sullivan	F.	Michael F. and Annie J.—Strickland
15.	Hubert Powderly	M.	Edward A. and Sarah J.—McGaughey
16.	Edith M. Hawkinson	F.	Ernest and Olga—Gyllston
20.	Joseph L. Bacigalupo	M.	Gaetano and Jennie—Church
23.	Russell L. Towns	M.	Arthur M. and Alice G. Leach
Dec. 5.	Mary F. Devine	F.	James F. and Catharine—Hallinan
5.	Hazel M. Jones	F.	Elbridge and Mary A.—Mann.
9.	— Wentworth	F.	Frank C. and Henrietta—Ela
9.	Viola F. Wood	F.	George H. and Ella L.—Marsh

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1898.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
1897.		Y.	M.	D.		
Nov. 16.	Hannah W. Conant .	62	1		Heart disease . .	Avon
1898.						
Jan. 1.	Emma E. Robbins .	31	4	15	Cerebral apoplexy . .	Charlestown
2.	Ella A. Heath . .	41	5	17	Pneumonia . . .	Brownsville, Me.
2.	Elizabeth Wren . .	72			Cancer . . .	Ireland
11.	Joanna Drake . .	62	10	18	Pleuro-pneumonia . .	St. John, N.B.
17.	Sarah T. Rowe . .	72	10	28	Heart disease . .	Avon
28.	Sarah Thayer . .	77	8	23	Pneumonia . . .	Randolph
Feb. 7.	— Stickney . .				Premature birth . .	Randolph
11.	Mary O'Connor . .	71			Old age . . .	Ireland
18.	Thomas J. Hill . .	48	6	1	Typhoid pneumonia . .	Randolph
Mar. 10.	Mary Barrett . .	71			Fever, pneumonia . .	Ireland
11.	Joanna Power . .	73	4		Ulceration (dysentery)	Ireland
12.	Flora E. Douglass .	24	6		Typhoid fever . .	Berlin, Ill.
12.	Charles Desmond . .		5		Meningitis . . .	Randolph
16.	Lauret Kinnier . .			1	Infantile . . .	Randolph
21.	Dennis Kelliher . .	81	7	1	Senility . . .	Ireland
27.	Warren M. Warburton		4	3	Meningitis . . .	So. Braintree
April 4.	Ellen Wilkinson . .				Senility . . .	Ireland
9.	Fred Holbrook . .		3		Premature birth . .	Randolph
12.	Edwin S. Stetson . .	23			Broncho-pneumonia . .	Randolph
12.	Patrick Mannix . .	47			Apoplexy . . .	Boston
29.	Mary Etta Hamilton,	37	8		Tuberculosis . . .	Randolph
May 4.	Michael Sheridan . .	67			Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
6.	Catharine Orcutt . .	75	1	20	Interstitial hepatitis .	Boston
6.	Martin Harty . .	63			Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
14.	Michael Hurley . .	78			Senility . . .	Ireland
15.	Simeon Wentworth .	68	8	24	Apoplexy . . .	Randolph
15.	Milla A. D. Wales . .	83	4	15	La grippe . . .	Canton
15.	William F. Hurley . .	43			Dual pneumonia . .	Randolph
26.	Joseph Barry . .	28			Heart disease . . .	Randolph
June 2.	James L. Doonan . .		3		Cerebral convulsions .	Randolph
8.	Edward Cloutier . .		11	17	Meningitis . . .	Augusta, Me.
11.	Catharine Sullivan .	65			Apoplexy . . .	Ireland
23.	Lysander Alden . .	87	5	2	Apoplexy . . .	Avon
July 1.	Oliver H. Bowman . .	70	2	8	Heart disease . . .	Milton
3.	Elizabeth J. Sullivan,	34			Pneumonia, heart fail.	Randolph
5.	Sarah B. Alden . .	70	1	15	Apoplexy . . .	Randolph
5.	— . . .				Stillborn . . .	Randolph
10.	Jennie H. Mann . .	35	1	29	Uremic poisoning . .	Randolph
13.	Edwina V. Park . .	16	9		Pulmon'y tuberculosis	South Boston
18.	Charles Burrell . .	45	7	29	Heart disease . . .	Randolph
24.	James F. Harris . .	25	7	23	Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
28.	Ella A. Belcher . .	53		19	Bright's disease . .	Randolph

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
July 31.	Rachel J. Knight .	79	3	24	Heart disease . . .	Randolph
Aug. 3.	Thomas F. Carroll .	18	8		Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
8.	Thomas F. Eagan .	31	4	15	Consumption . . .	Milford
8.	Charles M. Law .	29	7	22	Miliary tuber. of brain	Union, Me.
12.	Julia Linfield .	61	5	12	Cancer . . .	Lowell
14.	John B. Mooney .	7	11	17	Cerebral hem.(acc'tal)	Hyde Park
14.	Ellen Desmond .	78			Senility . . .	Ireland
22.	Martha Brodrick .	81	5	17	Cancer . . .	N. Bridgewater
28.	Michael Newman .	63			Internal injury (fall) .	Ireland
31.	John Traynor .	79	5	21	Exhaustion . . .	Scotland
Sept 11.	Nancy B. Rogers .	82	8	7	Old age . . .	Canaan, N.H.
16.	Sarah Murray .				Asphyxia . . .	Randolph
18.	Eliza Mann .	83			Dysentery, old age .	So. Braintree
28.	Mary Cullen .	74			Cerebral hemorrhage,	Ireland
29.	Matthew J. Walsh .	31	7	4	Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
Oct. 3.	Ralph A. Larson .	2	1	3	Membranous croup .	Randolph
10.	Lena R. Thayer .	16	11	6	Phthisis pulmonalis .	Solomon City
10.	Cornelius P. Desmond	44	7	16	Bright's disease . .	Randolph
12.	Catharine Sullivan .		3	22	Cholera infantum .	Randolph
14.	Lucy M. Dolan .		3		Lobular pneumonia .	Randolph
15.	Charles Prescott .	53		4	Nephritis . . .	Randolph
16.	William S. Hill .	56	8	21	Heart disease . . .	Randolph
16.	William F. Reynolds,	66	11	1	Bright's dis., paralysis	Canton, Me.
19.	Gaetano Bacigalupo,	39			Typhoid fever . . .	Italy
20.	Thomas A. Kennedy,	37			Pernicious anaemia .	Randolph
24.	Julia W. Peterson .	53	4	14	Diphtheria . . .	Sweden
31.	Margaret Carroll .		8	11	Cerebro spinal meng's,	Randolph
Nov. 6.	Emma W. Beals .		1	4	Gangrene . . .	Randolph
15.	Mary Bartlett Burgess		9	19	Meningitis . . .	Randolph
22.	Bridget A. Flynn .	45			Heart disease . . .	Brooklyn, N.Y.
29.	Thomas Murray .	68			Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
30.	Meriba Ames .	72	11	13	Heart disease . . .	Ossipee, N.H.
Dec. 1.	Matthew C. Morran .	55			Natural causes . .	Watertown
5.	Nathaniel H. Tirrell,	66	7	3	Epithelioma, sept. .	N. Bridgewater
20.	Eliza J. W. Huke .	43	5	7	Congestion of brain .	Boston
23.	James F. Gaynor .	43			La grippe . . .	Boston
25.	Margaret Daly .	74	8	17	Epidemic influenza .	Ireland
26.	Bridget E. Reilly .	54	10		Jaundice . . .	Ireland
29.	Elizabeth Hollis .	75	2	15	Asthenia . . .	Salem
31.	Catherine Dunn .	52	8	19	Bright's disease . .	Ireland

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Ulceration, infantile, hepatitis, convulsions, stillborn, uremic poisoning, exhaustion, asphyxia, hemorrhage, croup, cholera infantum, nephritis, anaemia, diphtheria, gangrene, natural causes, septicoemia, jaundice, congestion of brain, asthenia, one each.

Premature birth, accident, two each.

Cancer, fever, la grippe, tuberculosis, three each.

Bright's disease, four.

Meningitis, phthisis, five each.

Apoplexy, six.

Old age, seven.

Heart disease, nine.

Pneumonia, eleven.

Total, 83.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall in said town, on Monday the sixth day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers, and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 7. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains, and cemeteries.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Article 13. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they may deem most favorable to the town.

Article 15. To see what action the town will take in relation to the notes maturing August 1, 1899.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to establish a sinking fund for the payment of the town debt, and contribute money thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1899-1900, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 18. To see what action the town will take with

reference to the enlargement or improvement of the present school accommodations, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 19. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 466 of the Acts of 1898, entitled, "An Act relative to the employment of Superintendents of Schools by small towns," and will authorize the School Committee, if they deem it expedient, to arrange such union, in accordance with the provisions of said act, as may be most advantageous, subject, however, to the approval of the State Board of Education, and will raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 21. To see if the town will raise money to make alterations at the almshouse, required by the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Article 22. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise money to defray the expense of insuring the Turner Free Library building, together with the books, furniture, and fixtures belonging to said library, and also for the repair of said building.

Article 24. To see if the town will raise money to improve the highways, by building macadam road, and determine where the improvement shall be made.

Article 25. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 26. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place electric lights on High Street as petitioned for, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 28. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1899.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 34. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 35. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this fourteenth day of February A.D. eighteen hundred and ninety-nine.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
M. WALES BAKER,
Selectmen of Randolph.

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1899.

The Assessors respectfully call the attention of the tax payers to the following provisions of law concerning the assessment of taxes:

"PUBLIC STATUTES, CHAPTER 11.

"Section 73. When the assessors of a city or town have given notice to the inhabitants thereof to bring in true lists of their polls and estates not exempt from taxation, in accordance with the provisions of section thirty-eight, no part of the tax assessed on personal estate to a person who did not within the time specified therefor bring in such list shall be abated unless such tax exceeds by more than fifty per cent. the amount which would have been assessed to that person on personal estate if he had seasonably brought in said list; and if said tax exceeds by more than fifty per cent. the said amount, the abatement shall be only of the excess above said fifty per cent.; *provided*, that this section shall not affect any person who can show a reasonable excuse for not seasonably bringing in such list.

"Section 74. No abatement shall be allowed to a person unless he makes application therefor within six months after the date of his tax bill."

"ACTS OF 1894.—CHAPTER 294.

"An Act to establish uniform forms for the return
of property for taxation.

"Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

"Section 1. Lists for the return of property for taxation shall be arranged in such manner that the statement of the person to be assessed shall include a declaration under oath of all assessable property held by such person, in accordance with a form and with instructions to be prescribed by the tax commissioner annually.

"Section 2. The assessors of each city and town shall furnish blanks for lists of assessable property to any person taxable therein, which shall include all the declarations and instructions required by the tax commissioner. Said lists shall be made by the person to be assessed and filed with the assessors at such times as may be required by law.

"Section 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five. [*Approved April 23, 1894.*"]

"ACTS OF 1898.—CHAPTER 507.

"An Act to provide for uniformity in the assessment
of taxes.

"Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

"Section 1. The lists required to be brought in to the assessors in accordance with the provisions of section thirty-eight of chapter eleven of the Public Statutes shall be open to the inspection of the assessors and their assistants and clerks, the tax commissioner and his deputy, and to no other persons, except by order of a court, for that part thereof that shows the detail of the personal estate of the persons filing the same ; and all such lists shall be carefully preserved by

the assessors until they are destroyed by order of the tax commissioner.

"Section 2. The book of the assessors which, by the terms of section fifty of chapter eleven of the Public Statutes, must be open to public inspection, shall show in separate columns the valuation of each person's stock in trade and of machinery used in manufacturing establishments, and the number and value of live stock. The aggregate valuation of all other personal estate shall be placed as one item in a column marked 'All other ratable personal estate,' and the total amount of each person's taxable personal property shall be shown without other detail or specification than that herein provided.

"Section 3. The tax commissioner shall appoint a deputy, who shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars annually. He may himself or by his deputy visit any city or town and inspect the work of its assessors, and give to said officers such information and require of them such action as will tend to produce uniformity in valuation and assessments throughout the Commonwealth; and for any violation of the laws relating to the assessment of taxes by any assessor, for which a penalty is provided by law, may cause the offending officer to be indicted, either in the county in which said officer resides or in an adjoining county. He may also by himself or by his deputy appear at any hearing before the superior court or any board of county commissioners sitting for the abatement of taxes. In addition to his fixed compensation the commissioner or his deputy shall be allowed his reasonable traveling expenses.

"Section 4. This act shall take effect on the first day of December in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight. [*Approved June 6, 1898.*"]

VALUATION.

	1898	1899	
Real estate,	\$1,615,400	\$1,631,100	\$15,700 Increase
Personal estate,	260,050	259,750	300 Decrease
	<u>\$1,875,450</u>	<u>\$1,890,850</u>	<u>\$15,400 Increase</u>

Town appropriations	.	.	.	.	.	\$46,422 50
State tax	.	.	.	.	.	1,260 00
County tax	.	.	.	.	.	2,000 00
Amount of appropriations	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$49,682 50</u>

Number of polls, 1,201; tax	.	.	\$2,402
Estimated bank tax	.	.	1,945
Estimated corporation tax	.	.	3,760
Estimated corporation tax, Street R.R.	.	.	789
			<u>8,896 00</u>

Amount to be raised by tax on property . \$40,786 50

Tax rate, \$21.60 on \$1,000.

Tax on:

Real estate	.	.	.	.	(\$1,631,100)	\$35,231 76
Personal estate	.	.	.	.	(259,750)	5,610 60
					<u>(\$1,890,850)</u>	<u>\$40,842 36</u>
Amount to be raised	.	.	.	.	.	40,786 50
Overlay	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$55 86</u>

Warrant:

State tax	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,260 00
County tax	.	.	.	.	.	2,000 00
Town tax and overlay	.	.	.	.	.	39,984 36
						<u>\$43,244 36</u>

Population, census of 1895	3,694
Number of horses May 1, 1899	317
cows May 1, 1899	213
dwellings	853
acres of land	5,502

APPROPRIATIONS, 1899.

For schools	\$9,170 00
Stetson High School	2,200 00
miscellaneous	1,800 00
highways and paving	4,000 00
highways, removing snow (Dec. 16, 1898)	1,500 00
highways, removing snow (1899)	1,300 00
highways, town note on highway plant	500 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse (Dec. 16, 1898)	800 00
poor out of almshouse (1899)	3,800 00
soldiers' relief	400 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	600 00
military aid	250 00
interest on town debt	2,700 00
town officers	2,500 00
Board of Health	100 00
lockup	250 00
births, marriages, deaths and court fees	350 00
Fire Department	2,120 00
decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
contribution to sinking fund (water loan)	3,000 00
water for hydrants and public use	2,000 00
street lighting	3,300 00
insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00
alterations at almshouse	150 00

For Turner Library	\$812 50
medical attendance on the poor	300 00
special police	500 00
State tax	1,260 00
County tax	2,000 00
	<u>\$49,682 50</u>

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY
THE TOWN DECEMBER 30, 1899.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town House and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus	8,500 00
Three engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One hearse	50 00
Ten acres of salt marsh	300 00
Land and building, Clark estate	2,000 00
Highway plant	5,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Turner school fund	1,500 00
Stetson school fund	11,900 00
Turner Free Library building and land	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Royal W. Turnér, free library fund	20,000 00
Water works	162,000 00
	<u>\$338,800 00</u>

EXPENDITURES, 1899.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$53,215.83 :

On account of—

Schools	\$9,168 10
Stetson High School	2,309 96
Removal of snow	1,448 52
Highways	5,200 94
Miscellaneous	1,606 12
Town Officers	2,290 62
Interest	3,097 49
Street lighting	3,208 00
Water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
Sinking fund, "Water Loan"	3,000 00
Turner Free Library	812 50
Insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
Abatement of taxes	312 81
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	180 34
Fire Department	2,130 27
Burial of indigent soldier	35 00
State aid	2,790 00
Military aid	588 00
Almshouse	2,317 19
Almshouse alterations	184 28
Wood case (pauper settlement, 1895)	272 87
Poor out of almshouse	4,327 18
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	713 47
Soldiers' relief	329 35
Poor of other towns	372 32
State paupers	55 00
Lockup	193 00
Pay of physicians	297 00

Special police	\$432 00
Board of Health	63 50
State tax	1,260 00
County tax	2,000 00
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Orders drawn	\$53,215 83
Town note on highway plant	500 00
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Amount of expenditures	\$53,715 83

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For Schools	\$9,921 84	\$9,168 10
Stetson High School	2,309 96	2,309 96
Removal of snow	1,512 17	1,448 52
Highways, including paving	6,089 66	5,200 94
Miscellaneous	1,800 00	1,606 12
Town Officers	2,500 00	2,290 62
Interest	3,899 99	3,097 49
Street lighting	3,300 00	3,208 00
Water for hydrants and public use	2,000 00	2,000 00
Sinking fund, "Water Loan"	3,000 00	3,000 00
Turner Free Library	812 50	812 50
Insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00	120 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Abatement of taxes	55 86	312 81
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	489 66	180 34
Fire Department	2,120 00	2,130 27
Burial of indigent soldier		35 00
State aid		2,790 00
Military aid	250 00	588 00

For Almshouse	\$1,800 00	\$2,317 19
Almshouse alterations	150 00	184 28
Wood case (pauper settlement, 1895)		272 87
Poor out of almshouse	3,800 00	4,327 18
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	600 00	713 47
Soldiers' relief	400 00	329 35
Poor of other towns		372 32
State paupers		55 00
Lockup	250 00	193 00
Pay of physicians	300 00	297 00
Special police	500 00	432 00
Board of Health	100 00	63 50
State tax	1,260 00	1,260 00
County tax	2,000 00	2,000 00
Highway plant (town note)	500 00	500 00
	<u>\$51,941 64</u>	<u>\$53,715 83</u>
Amount of expenditures		\$53,715 83
Amount of appropriations		51,941 64
Amount overdrawn		<u>\$1,774 19</u>

Overdrawn on account of:

Abatement of taxes	\$256 95
Fire Department	10 27
Burial of indigent soldier	35 00
State aid	2,790 00
Military aid	338 00
Poor in almshouse	517 19
Almshouse alterations	34 28
Poor out of almshouse	527 18

Wood case (pauper settlement) .	\$272 87	
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	113 47	
Poor of other towns	372 32	
State paupers	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,322 53

Unexpended on account of:

Schools	\$753 74	
Removal of snow	63 65	
Highways	888 72	
Miscellaneous	193 88	
Town Officers	209 38	
Interest	802 50	
Street lighting	92 00	
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	309 32	
Soldiers' relief	70 65	
Lockup	57 00	
Pay of Physicians	3 00	
Special police	68 00	
Board of Health	36 50	
	<hr/>	3,548 34
Amount overdrawn		<hr/> \$1,774 19

Refunded and to be refunded on account of:

Highways	\$164 57
Burial of soldier, by State	35 00
State aid, by State	2,790 00
Military aid, by State	294 00
Military aid, by Holbrook	58 00
Poor in almshouse	690 58
Poor out of almshouse	180 31
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	237 82

Poor of other towns	\$372 32	
State paupers	55 00	
Medical attendance	56 66	
Miscellaneous	29 50	
	<hr/>	\$4,963 76
Unexpended		<hr/>
		\$3,189 57

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Selectmen:

The work upon the highways in the spring began with the scraping and cleaning of the gutters, after which West and Warren streets, from opposite the residence of Lester W. Mann on West street to opposite the residence of Richard Blanche on Warren street, was surfaced with gravel, also North street from the Braintree town line to Oak street, the steam roller being used, after the gravel had been spread and sprinkled with water, to complete the work. On South Main street, from opposite the residence of Winthrop B. Atherton north a distance of twelve hundred feet, the street on both sides of the tracks of the Brockton Street Railway was surfaced with crushed stone.

North street, from the railroad bridge south a distance of eighteen hundred feet with a width of eighteen feet, was laid with macadam.

In the Fall considerable work was done on School street, a change in grade being necessary to prevent the water in case of heavy rain or sudden thaw from remaining on the street and making it impassable for travel. North Main street, from opposite the house of Steamer No. 2 a distance of one

thousand feet north, was raised in the centre by surfacing with crushed stone so as to shed the water into the gutters.

On North street north of Liberty street, where the road bed is sandy, the crust forming the surface had been broken by heavy teaming, and for a distance of one thousand feet crushed stone was used in repairing.

The sidewalks were also surfaced with gravel and the finer screenings of crushed stone.

There has been used in the repairs made upon the highways and sidewalks, and work of more permanent character by macadamizing, 2,454 loads of gravel, 1,614 tons of crushed stone and 58 tons of small stones that were not crushed.

At the close of the season, when work was suspended upon the highways, there was stacked for future use fifty tons of crushed stone and thirty tons of stone selected for the purpose of paving, which should be reckoned to the credit of the highway account.

The work done last year on Warren street from Main street, and on North Main street north of brook at "West Corners," also the work done the present year on North street south from the railroad bridge, shows what can be done in making macadam roads wherever it is determined upon by the town.

The expense of removing snow the present year was on account of storms between January 1 and April 1, and was much less than last year, when \$3,287.33 was expended, the expense being for the present year \$1,448.52; and is an item of expense that cannot be accurately estimated.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN,
Superintendent.

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Stillman B. Woodman, Supt. of Streets, labor, \$323 62	
Walter H. Robinson, labor	36 87
George M. Johnson, labor	254 60
town teams, labor	418 16
E. W. Campagna, labor and materials . .	33 68
James Devine, stone	116 77
Thomas Devine, stone	114 66
Joseph Riley, stone	38 78
Charles Doonan, labor and stone	82 81
James M. Dyer, stone	110 30
William H. Carroll, stone	41 44
William Porter, stone	31 69
M. J. Collins, labor and stone	28 07
Edward Arnold, stone	25 07
Albert Perry, labor	86 18
Thomas Duff, labor	176 55
John B. McGrane, labor	107 39
Patrick Madigan, labor	27 39
George F. Taylor, labor	7 11
Waldo Bros., drain pipe	58 45
Edwin Tabor, labor and stone	24 23
Peter Gibson, labor	24 47
William C. Barry, labor	185 41
John Sheehan, labor	197 98
James Keenan, labor	17 50
James Carroll, stone	46 42
M. E. Scanlon, stone	3 60
John T. Manning, labor	44 00
James O'Brien, labor	262 89
John Meaney, labor	42 00
Telephone	25
Time book	50

Paid Nicholas Linnehan, labor . . .	\$94 76
John Harris . . .	32 54
William F. Shepard, labor . . .	29 32
George F. French, labor . . .	16 54
James Barry, 2d, labor . . .	107 96
John Dunn, labor . . .	2 00
William Gill, labor . . .	34 41
John Lyons, labor . . .	21 10
Henry C. Nichols, labor . . .	20 44
M. E. Leahy, team, labor . . .	130 41
M. E. Leahy, coal . . .	82 95
William Mahady, stone, team, labor .	373 86
John Curran, labor . . .	18 44
Frank Woodman, labor . . .	19 54
John Wilkinson, labor . . .	19 54
Rufus Mann, labor . . .	9 54
William Good, labor . . .	20 60
Lyman Penniman, labor . . .	142 77
Michael Ford, gravel . . .	48 10
Thomas Donahoe, labor . . .	26 00
Dominick Hand, labor . . .	20 00
William H. Shepard, labor . . .	6 00
Martin Holbrook, stone . . .	34 07
Dexter T. Clark, labor . . .	8 00
Charles Morse, labor . . .	31 25
Leon Mann, team, stone . . .	15 50
Thomas E. Huston, labor . . .	10 00
John Galvin, labor . . .	24 83
S. M. McAskell, labor . . .	2 15
George William Waite & Co., oil . .	4 00
Walworth Mfg. Co. . . .	2 50
James Fardy, labor . . .	3 35
Thomas Barry, labor . . .	1 25
C. L. Bartlett, watering cart . . .	20 00

Paid William Woodman, labor	\$2 75
Seth Mann, 2d, rent of land	26 00
C. H. Belcher, supplies	45
John K. Anderson, labor	5 00
D. F. Doonan, labor	5 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	10 46
Eugene Thayer, supplies	71
Michael Crowley, labor	8 00
William Leahy, labor	3 10
Sumner Thayer, labor	10 00
James M. Jones, labor	100 46
Patrick Riley, labor	10 00
Fred G. Winnett, labor	8 00
Frank E. Stetson, labor, team	44 80
Michael Lagan, labor	8 00
Cement	3 80
Charles D. Hill, supplies	3 34
Randolph Water Works	7 68
Thomas B. Kelley, labor	10 50
Joshua Hunt, gravel	19 55
James Gogin, labor	37 66
I. W. Hayden, gravel	33 53
Charles H. Cole, team, stone	104 29
Robert McAuliffe, team, labor	15 17
Charles Heaney, labor	14 90
Frank Mann, team, labor, stone	51 95
Fairbanks Company	13 03
W. A. Wood	15 00
Thomas Kiley, labor	1 55
Bates Machine Co. . . .	14 00
James Riley, team, labor	50 57
Frank H. Langley, labor and materials	15 85
Edwin M. Mann, wood	6 00
T. F. Lynch estate, gravel	13 62

Paid S. B. Corliss, gravel	\$1 60
Charles A. Wales, gravel	61 10
James Slowey, labor	11 44
M. N. Hunt, care of lights	3 00
D. B. White, coal	18 35
F. W. Hayden, supplies	6 07
Charles F. Milliken, oil	2 50
John F. Sheehan, labor	15 35
Henry Campbell, labor	2 00
M. Wales Baker, labor	2 25
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	\$5,200 94
Appropriation \$3,500 00	
Paving 500 00	
Excise tax, street railway . . 874 84	
Corporation tax, street railway . 1,214 82	
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	\$6,089 66
Unexpended . . \$888 72	

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid S. B. Woodman and others	\$189 75
James Devine and others	224 45
A. J. Townes	10 40
William Mahady and others	135 85
James Carroll and others	194 01
M. J. Collins and others	149 61
F. E. Stetson and others	187 38
M. E. Leahy and others	79 50
P. F. McLaughlin and others	42 61
James Fardy, repairs on plow	2 50
A. J. Gove	8 17
James Riley and others	195 38

Paid Elbridge Jones	\$3 00
Richard Irving	5 00
Peter McConaty	2 50
James Keenan	8 75
John P. Rooney	3 00
Ernest Knight	1 24
William H. Carroll	3 00
M. E. Scanlan	75
Town teams	67
Walter H. Robinson	1 00

\$1,448 52

Unexpended balance from 1898 . \$212 17

Appropriation for 1899 . . 1,300 00

\$1,512 17

Unexpended . . \$63 65

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid D. H. Huxford, printing, advertising, etc.,	\$443 75
Lyons' Express	35 25
A. L. Chase, Inspector of Animals* . .	50 00
M. F. Sullivan, police duty, warrants, etc.,	42 50
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, counting apparatus	5 00
George R. Weaver, distributing town re- ports	4 00
Dexter T. Clark, surveying	6 75
James A. Kingsbury, dinners	36 35
Edward O. Flaherty, ballot clerk	6 00
* Thomas Farrell, police duty	23 50
Henry F. Rooney, duty at election	5 00

* Refunded, from the State Treasurer, \$25 on account of pay of Inspector of Cattle.

Paid W. A. Croak, ballot clerk	\$6 00
Ezra Holbrook, teller	6 00
M. Wales Baker, labor	3 15
D. J. Hand, teller	3 00
F. A. French, telephone	3 60
Edwin M. Mann, wood, Selectmen's room,	23 50
Thomas Whitty, Jr., ballot clerk . . .	3 00
F. J. Donahoe, police duty	17 25
Nelson Mann, teller	6 00
Charles G. Hathaway, insurance . . .	15 00
Arthur W. Alden, care of Selectmen's room,	
hall, etc.	104 75
J. D. Sheridan, ballot clerk	3 00
Frank Porter, supplies	9 53
Henry E. Cottle, teller	3 00
William F. Barrett, teller	6 00
E. W. Campagna, labor on booths . . .	6 00
Thorp & Martin Co., stationery	3 50
Charles Doughty, lighting Selectmen's	
office	20 20
William H. Pope, teller	3 00
Fred L. Beecher, teller	6 00
Hartford Steam Boiler & Inspection Co.,	
insurance	100 00
A. W. Brownell, stationery	10 25
E. L. Burdakin, record of real estate	
transfers	10 00
Jordan, Marsh & Co., flag	12 00
E. F. Knight, police duty	15 00
S. M. Shaw, building fence	7 36
Post 110, G.A.R., on order of John T. Flood,	20 00
Fred M. French, insurance	22 35
Fred M. French, teller	3 00
William B. Spear, teller	3 00

Paid E. Lawrence Payne, police duty . . .	\$7 50
T. J. Kiernan, police duty . . .	7 50
Joseph H. Foster, police duty . . .	7 50
S. B. Woodman, labor . . .	6 71
Adams, Cushing & Foster, stationery . .	1 68
E. A. Perry, labor . . .	10 50
J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	176 00
George W. Wales, postage and envelopes, .	31 78
Thomas Groom & Co., tax books . . .	3 75
P. H. McLaughlin, cash paid . . .	1 30
John Haney, cash paid . . .	7 20
Lincoln Stetson, police duty . . .	7 50
Walter M. Howard, damage to carriage .	6 00
Joseph T. Leahy, insurance . . .	85 05
Eugene L. McAuliffe, ballot clerk . . .	3 00
Frank W. Hayden, teller . . .	11 00
James F. Sullivan, teller . . .	3 00
Charles A. Payne, labor . . .	1 00
Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerk . . .	6 00
Overseers of Poor, expenses to Lowell, Mil-	
ford, Taunton, etc. . . .	20 57
Henry Snow, pauper settlement book . .	2 00
Royal T. Mann, teller . . .	6 00
John K. Willard, teller . . .	6 00
Charles H. Belcher, supplies . . .	1 79
William Crossley, paper . . .	4 00
City of Quincy, care of prisoners . . .	7 50
A. J. Gove, building fence . . .	9 00
A. J. Gove, teams and expressing . . .	52 75
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	\$1,606 12

Appropriation, \$1,800 00

Unexpended, 193 88

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. G. Hathaway, M. F. Cunningham and R. P. Barrett, Auditors	\$30 00
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TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy	300 00
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SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid Peter B. Hand	400 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	350 00
Charles H. Thayer	350 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Michael A. Donovan	15 62
John E. McDonald	100 00
Royal T. Mann	100 00

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, clerk	75 00
James Fardy	50 00
Herbert W. Pratt	50 00
Otis L. Soule	50 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid F. M. French, collecting taxes 1897 .	60 00
F. M. French, collecting taxes 1898 .	65 00
F. M. French, collecting taxes 1899 .	185 00

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Charles A. Wales	20 00
William A. Croak, clerk	30 00
D. J. Brennan	20 00
J. E. Blanche	20 00
J. W. Farrell	20 00

Appropriation, \$2,500 00	\$2,290 62
Unexpended, 209 38	

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty	\$3,208 00
Appropriation, \$3,300 00	
Unexpended, 92 00	

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer	\$3,097 49
Appropriation	\$2,700 00
Interest on taxes	800 00
Premium on notes	346 72
Interest on deposits	53 27
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	\$3,899 99
Amount paid	3,097 49
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Unexpended	\$802 50

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid John Haney	\$432 00
Appropriation, \$500 00	
Unexpended, 68 00	

INSURANCE ON TREASURER'S BOND.

Paid C. D. Fullerton	\$120 00
Appropriation, \$120 00	

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Capt. Horace Niles Post, No. 110, G.A.R.,	\$100 00
Appropriation, \$100 00	

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, on taxes 1897 . . .	\$305 88
Estate of Hannah Belcher . . .	6 93
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Appropriation tax overlay, \$55 86	\$312 81
Overdrawn, 256 95	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of Engineers of Fire Department) . . .	\$2,130 27
Appropriation, \$2,120 00	
Overdrawn, 10 27	

WATER WORKS.

Paid Water Commissioners, for water for hydrants, etc.	\$2,000 00
Water Commissioners, for sinking fund . . .	3,000 00
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Appropriation, \$5,000 00	\$5,000 00

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

Paid trustees Turner Free Library . . .	\$812 50
Appropriation, \$812 50	

RECORDING BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS AND COURT FEES.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy	\$180 34
Appropriation, \$350 00	
Unexpended, 169 66	

MILITARY AID. (CHAPTER 279 OF ACTS, OF 1894 AND CHAPTER 372, ACTS OF 1899).

Paid sundry persons	\$588 00
One-half paid by the State	\$294 00
By Holbrook	58 00
By Randolph	236 00
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	\$588 00
Appropriation, \$250 00	
Unexpended, 14 00	

STATE AID. (CHAPTER 301, ACTS OF 1894, AND CHAPTER 374, ACTS OF 1899.)

Paid sundry persons	\$2,790 00
To be refunded by the State.	
No appropriation.	

COUNTY TAX.

Paid C. H. Smith, County Treasurer	\$2,000 00
Appropriation, \$2,000 00	

STATE TAX.

Paid E. P. Shaw, State Treasurer	\$1,260 00
Appropriation, \$1,260 00	

REPORT OVERSEERS OF POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1899.

Early in the year Mr. and Mrs. George R. Weaver, who had charge of the almshouse for ten years, resigned their positions as superintendent and matron, to take effect May first, and they continued in charge until that date, when their positions were filled by the appointment by the Overseers of Timothy M. O'Leary and wife.

The number of persons supported at the almshouse has been greater than last year; the total number of weeks of support for 1898 was $583\frac{1}{7}$, at an average net expense of three dollars per week; the number of weeks of support for 1899 was $638\frac{3}{7}$, at an average net expense of two dollars and sixty cents, which is a very favorable comparison.

Alterations have been made in the sanitary arrangements the past year, and what has heretofore been a cause of complaint and criticism, from the agents of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, has been remedied.

The buildings should be shingled the coming year, and we recommend an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars for that purpose.

The cost of support of persons elsewhere than at the almshouse and for temporary relief is less than last year; the amount expended for support of the insane is in excess of last year and, as will appear from the detailed statement of aid rendered, is about one-half of the amount expended.

Following are the expenditures for aid rendered under the different classifications:

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid George R. Weaver, salary . . .	\$166 67
George R. Weaver, supplies . . .	9 40
Timothy M. O'Leary, salary . . .	333 28
Timothy M. O'Leary, supplies . . .	46 95
Smith Brothers, supplies . . .	8 05
A. J. Towns, ice, 1898, 1899 . . .	52 00
F. W. Hayden, groceries . . .	154 45
J. W. Palmer, groceries . . .	112 43
C. D. Hill, groceries . . .	116 99
C. H. Belcher, groceries . . .	110 20
Eugene Thayer, groceries . . .	110 59
John Wallace, provisions . . .	48 05
R. J. McAuliffe, provisions . . .	44 60
George H. Eddy, provisions . . .	48 69
S. Austine Thayer, grain . . .	65 35
N. E. Buck, grain . . .	76 25
W. A. Smith, provisions . . .	39 88
B. C. Tirrell, clothing . . .	22 37
Walter M. Howard, fish . . .	29 99
J. E. Linnehan, fish . . .	7 59
John K. Willard, supplies . . .	3 00
P. H. McLaughlin, dry goods . . .	24 01
E. G. Furber, dry goods . . .	12 47
James Burke, labor . . .	4 85
M. Wales Baker, labor . . .	1 60
James Riley, labor . . .	3 00
Frank Porter, medicine . . .	21 03
R. McLennan, labor . . .	12 25
Fred Snell, horse . . .	25 00
Joseph Riley, labor . . .	2 22
D. B. White, coal . . .	29 12
F. A. Long, shoes and underwear . . .	26 90

Paid M. E. Leahy, coal	\$143 34
M. E. Leahy, labor	73 37
George B. Dench, labor	3 00
Edward O'Connor, labor	80
James E. Blanche, manure	83 75
W. Crossley, paper	2 00
J. Breck & Son, supplies	5 85
Jordan, Marsh & Co., supplies	14 75
M. Frank Mann, supplies	16 00
F. H. Langley, labor	6 90
Walter F. Holbrook, labor	43 95
S. B. Woodman, labor	13 52
McAuliffe & Co., medicine	9 70
J. B. McDonald, labor	30 90
James Fardy, labor	59 65
Howard Randall, supplies	5 25
J. H. Clark, supplies	4 93
Seth Mann, 2d, rent of pasture 3 years	15 00
F. A. Boyd & Co., labor	2 40
Estate F. Porter, medicine	2 00
A. J. Gove, expressing	10 90
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	\$2,317 19

DR.

Stock on hand December 31, 1898	\$2,292 82
Salary and supplies	2,317 19
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	\$4,610 01

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Stock on hand December 30, 1899	\$2,093 18
Labor of town teams	434 38
Use of derrick	10 00
Use of swing drag	7 50
Sale of junk	2 00

Sale of produce	\$124 70	
Board of inmates	112 00	
Net expense	1,826 25	
	<hr/>	\$4,610 01
Appropriation, \$1,800 00		

Inventory and appraisal of stock, furniture, etc., December 31, 1899, on file at office of Overseers of Poor.

PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 30, 1899.

Lewis Linfield	52 weeks
William A. Doyle	52 "
Catharine Heney	52 "
Bartholomew Gill	52 "
Clark Fairbanks	52 "
Mabel Fairbanks	52 "
Aletta Veazie	52 "
Timothy Sullivan	52 "
Emory Holbrook	52 "
Elizabeth French	52 "
Adelia H. French	52 "
Ira Beal, Jr.	* 12 $\frac{6}{7}$ "
Joseph C. Stickney	26 $\frac{2}{7}$ "
Thomas Curran	47 $\frac{6}{7}$ "
John E. O'Keefe	2 $\frac{3}{7}$ "
Bartholomew O'Keefe	2 $\frac{3}{7}$ "
Ellen O'Keefe	2 $\frac{3}{7}$ "
George O'Keefe	2 $\frac{3}{7}$ "
Mrs. Cornelius O'Keefe	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
Thomas Ward	2 "
Sundry persons	25 $\frac{2}{7}$ "

* \$10 refunded.

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for Margaret Ward, at State Almshouse .	\$146 00
William F. Wills, at State Farm .	146 00
Emma C. Lincoln, at Medfield Insane Hospital	146 00
Mark E. Purcell, at Medfield Insane Hospital	146 00
Timothy Donahoe, at Medfield Insane Hospital	146 00
Thos. Kiley, at Medfield Insane Hospital,	146 00
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Insane Hospital	169 46
Alice E. Hill, at Taunton Insane Hospital,	153 68
Joseph H. Crosby, at Taunton Insane Hospital	169 46
William McMath, at Danvers Insane Hospital	223 80
William R. Farquhar, at Westboro In- sane Hospital	169 46
David J. Foley, at Massachusetts Gen- eral Hospital	53 50
Thomas J. Mullins, at Dipsomaniac Hospital, Foxboro	85 42
Manus Gallagher	181 82
James B. Riley	104 00
Mary A. Chandler	78 00
Mary A. Carroll and family	104 00
Mrs. Charles F. Howard and family .	60 00
Julia Ainsley and family	157 45
Mary E. Smith and family	186 25
Mrs. G. Baicigalupo and family	188 41
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	62 45
Mrs. John Treanor	60 00

Paid for Elizabeth A. Burke and family . . .	\$72 93
Mrs. C. A. Allen and family . . .	25 50
Susanna Buckley	60 00
William H. Spear and family . . .	9 00
Mrs. Rob't McAuliffe and family, Milford,	82 00
Mrs. Cornelius O'Keefe and family,	
Brockton	187 00
Mrs. John Leahy	73 25
Emma Thayer	6 00
Richard DeNeil, Braintree . . .	14 86
Frank Kennedy, Holbrook . . .	30 72
Stillman B. Orcutt	17 45
John T. Manning and family . . .	23 50
Mary Morgan	11 45
Thomas F. Riley, House of the Angel	
Guardian	120 00
Bridget Kennedy and family, Springfield,	8 36
Mrs. David Cunningham and family .	83 20
Charles Hollis and family, Weymouth,	48 00
Lucy A. Barrows and daughters,	
Stoughton	94 35
Archer DeForrest and family, Brockton,	18 96
Harry DeForrest and family, Brockton,	22 07
Mrs. Olive A. Baxter	20 00
Lewis Jones and wife	25 00
Elizabeth White	7 11
Aid to sundry persons	3 00
Aid to sundry persons, refunded . .	180 31
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	\$4,327 18
	180 31
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	\$4,146 87

Appropriation, \$3,800 00

Overdrawn, 346 87

MRS. C. H. WOOD CASE.

Paid F. M. Bixby, attorney \$272 87

No appropriation.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF, WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Elvira Holbrook	\$60 00
Richard Adams	6 00
Mrs. John E. Mann, Stoughton . .	39 70
Christiana Sloan, Canton	52 65
Hiram S. Faunce	3 00
John A. Sylvester	24 45
Lysander Morse, Canton	3 00
George F. French	3 25
Thomas F. Hand	106 35
Lawrence Leavitt and family, Quincy .	3 00
Albert Howard, Brockton	48 00
Charles H. Balcom, Lowell	8 00
George W. Cook and family, Newton .	154 71
Lewis Weathee, at Taunton Insane Hos- pital	169 46
Margaret Morrissey, Brockton . . .	30 00
George Mann, Stoughton	1 90
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	\$713 47

Paid by Holbrook, \$237 82

Paid by Randolph, 475 65

\$713 47

Appropriation, \$600 00

Expended, 475 65

Unexpended, \$124 35

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Elizabeth Green	\$57 39
Hugh Currie and family	20 50
Abby M. King, Brockton	60 00
Michael Lagan	6 00
Ellen French	16,00
Charles H. Abbott, Hospital for Epi- leptics	169 46
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	\$329 35
Appropriation, \$400 00	
Unexpended, 70 65	

BURIAL OF INDIGENT SOLDIERS.

Paid for Robert Agnew	\$35 00
To be refunded by the State.	

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Elizabeth Hennessay, Boston . .	\$22 50
Frank E. Wilder and wife, Boston . .	10 00
John J. Kane and family, Milford . .	33 00
Olive Jones, Braintree	60 00
Mrs. John E. Glover, Quincy	14 25
Almira Fowle, Milton	146 57
John Lang, Taunton	38 00
Ellen F. Gallagher, Cambridge	34 00
Aid to be refunded, Weymouth	14 00
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	\$372 32

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid for Irving P. Miller	\$20 00
Antonio Pellegrino	3 00
Savina Olilia Genoveffa	10 00
laborers at Randolph quarry . .	22 00
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	\$55 00

LOCKUP.

Paid Arthur W. Alden, keeper of the lockup .	\$100 00
Arthur W. Alden, supplies	23 50
Charles Doughty, electric light . . .	24 00
D. B. White, coal	25 50
James F. Hurley, painting	7 50
James B. McDonald, repairs	75
Frank S. Smith, charcoal	3 00
Charles H. Belcher, supplies	8 75
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	\$193 00

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

Paid Dr. C. C. Farnham, 119 visits . . .	\$50 00
A. L. Chase, 70 visits	50 00
D. F. Kinnier, 76 visits	50 00
W. M. Babbitt, 47 visits	47 00
F. C. Granger, 67 visits	50 00
E. A. Allen, 66 visits	50 00
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	\$297 00
Medical attendance refunded	\$27 00
Medical attendance refunded by	
Milton	11 40

Medical attendance refunded by		
Holbrook	\$18 26	
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		\$240 34
Appropriation, \$300 00		
Unexpended, 59 66		

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid Thomas Farrell, serving notices	\$3 50
Peter B. Hand	20 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	20 00
Charles H. Thayer	20 00
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	\$63 50
Appropriation, \$100 00	
Unexpended, 36 50	

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees Stetson High School	\$2,309 96
Appropriation, \$2,200 00	
Bank tax, 109 96	
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	\$2,309 96

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School	
Committee)	\$9,168 10
Appropriation	\$9,170 00
Dog license	393 46

State school fund . . .	\$294 38
Coddington fund . . .	64 00
Refunded by the State Treasurer for tuition of paupers . . .	97 00
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	\$10,018 84
Unexpended	850 74

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE
SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE
POOR FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams	\$434 38
use of derrick	10 00
use of swing drag	7 50
sale of junk	2 00
sale of produce	124 70
board of inmates at Almshouse . .	112 00
aid refunded	187 00
pay of physicians	27 00
John Haney, on account miscellaneous ex- penses	4 50
J. C. Rockwell, license	5 00
removing snow (from Brockton Street Railway)	39 94
cash	45
Braintree Records	1 00
street scrapings	12 80
Boston, Milton & Brockton Street Rail- way (highways)	78 50
use of steam roller (from town of Braintree)	33 33
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	\$1,080 10

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1900.

For schools (see report of School Committee) .	\$9,800 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees),	2,200 00
Town Officers	2,400 00
miscellaneous	1,700 00
repairs of highways, including paving and street railway tax	3,000 00
highway plant (note)	500 00
reduction of town debt	850 00
removing snow	500 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	4,000 00
soldiers' relief	400 00
soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	600 00
military aid	250 00
electric lighting	3,300 00
interest on town debt (and in addition there- to the interest on taxes and bank deposits, and premiums on town notes) . . .	2,250 00
Treasurer's bond	120 00
pay of physicians	300 00
Board of Health	100 00
lockup and tramps	250 00
Fire Department (see report of Engineers),	2,118 00
Water Works (see report of Water Commis- sioners)	4,500 00
Shingling the almshouse and barn . . .	250 00

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual town meeting March 5, 1900 :

Atherton, Winthrop B.	Publisher.
Alden, F. Wayland	Retired.
Arth, Ernst	Cigar manufacturer.
Beal, Clarence E.	Florist.
Barrett, William F.	Manufacturer.
Breitling, Gotlieb T.	Tailor.
Bradley, Seth D.	Manufacturer.
Burke, James	Shoemaker.
Clark, Dexter T.	Surveyor.
Clark, George Melvin	Agent.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Corliss, Simon B.	Farmer.
Croak, William A.	Carpenter.
Donovan, Michael A.	Mechanic.
Dodge, Henry	Fisherman.
English, Nicholas	Shoemaker.
Elliot, George A.	Laster.
Foster, Joseph H.	Machine operator.
French, Fred M.	Insurance.
Flood, John T.	Real estate.
Frizzell, William	Retired.
Forrest, Richard	Laster.
Good, William	Farmer.
Hayden, Franklin W.	Grocer.
Holbrook, Columbus	Shoemaker.
Holbrook, Albert H.	Carpenter.
Jaquith, Frank H.	Reporter.
Jones, Rufus	Farmer.

King, Evander F.	Carpenter.
Langley, Frank H.	Blacksmith.
Leahy, Joseph T.	Insurance.
Libby, H. Frank	Carpenter.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.
Mann, Lucius H.	Farmer.
Mann, Nelson	Retired.
Mahady, William	Laborer.
McMahon, William F.	Shoe cutter.
McDonald, Joseph	Contractor.
McGaughey, Moses	Shoemaker.
McLaughlin, Patrick H.	Dry goods dealer.
Montsie, Frederick W.	Cigar manufacturer.
Niles, Amasa S.	Retired.
Niles, Isaac	Auctioneer.
Poole, Marcus M.	Grocer.
Payne, Charles A.	Machinist.
Pope, David	Retired.
Porter, William	Farmer.
Quinn, Edward	Undertaker.
Roberts, William R.	Poultry dealer.
Reynolds, George A.	Farmer.
Scanlon, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Snow, Hiram	Sole leather cutter.
Stetson, Francis E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Taber, Edwin A.	Farmer.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Farmer.
Willard, John K.	Tallow dealer.

PETER B. HAND,
 PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
 CHARLES H. THAYER,

Selectmen.

STREET RAILWAY.

PETITION OF THE STOUGHTON AND RANDOLPH STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

*To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen for the Town of
Randolph:*

Your petitioners respectfully represent that they are a majority of the directors of the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company, which has complied with the provisions of Chapter 113 of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts and the acts in addition thereto and amendment thereof, preliminary to the establishment of a corporation, and that they have caused a copy of the Articles of Association to be published as required by Section 6 of said chapter, and as such directors they pray for the following locations in the the said Town of Randolph, namely :

From the terminus of West street at the Stoughton town line through said West street to North Main street, through North Main street to Central square, through Central square to Union street, through Union street to the division line of the Town of Holbrook ; also from the intersection of Warren street with West street through Warren street to North Main street, where a connection may be made with the location hereinbefore asked for ; also through Fowler street from its junction with Warren street to the junction thereof with West street, or by other convenient route through said town from the Stoughton town line on West street to the Holbrook town line on Union street.

And they pray that said company may locate, lay and maintain its tracks with such turnouts, switches and connections as may be needed upon such locations, and may erect and maintain the necessary poles, wires, and other fixtures along said locations for the purpose of operating a street railway so located to be operated by electricity by the single overhead trolley system, so called.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. DRAPER,
JOHN STRETTON,
LUCIUS CLAPP,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
FRANKLIN WORCESTER,
WILLIAM L. HODGES,
MARCUS L. URANN,

*Directors of the Stoughton and Randolph Street
Railway Company.*

TOWN OF RANDOLPH, BOARD OF SELECTMEN,
May 18, 1899.

Upon the foregoing petition it is —

Ordered: That a public hearing be given to all parties interested in the Town Hall, on Wednesday, the seventh day of June A.D. 1899, at 7.30 o'clock P.M., and that at least fourteen days' notice of said meeting be given by publication in the "Randolph Register," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,
Selectmen of Randolph.

To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Randolph :

Respectfully represents a majority of the directors of the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company, who, as such directors and for said company, hereby agree with your Honorable Board that in addition to whatever reasonable conditions you may insert as terms for a location, that we will give the following special inducements to your Honorable Board to grant said company a location in said town of Randolph without further delay :

First. To locate the power station for said railway company in the town of Randolph.

Second. To locate a car barn in the town of Randolph.

Third. To give a preference to Randolph men and teams for work during construction and operation.

Very respectfully,

EDWARD F. DRAPER,
MARCUS L. URANN,
LUCIUS CLAPP,
DANIEL B. WHITE,

*Majority of the Directors of the Stoughton and
Randolph Street Railway Company.*

LOCATIONS OF THE STOUGHTON AND RANDOLPH STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

That, subject to the conditions and restrictions hereinafter set forth, a location be granted for the tracks of the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company in Randolph in and over the streets named in said petition, as hereinafter described, to wit :

Commencing at the town line between Randolph and Stoughton on West street in the Town of Randolph and

County of Norfolk and extend through said West street to and over Main street until it joins, by suitable curves, the Brockton Street Railway located on said Main street, thence through Main street over the tracks of the Brockton Street Railway to Central square, thence by suitable curve or curves from said Brockton Street Railway through and over Central square to Union street, and thence through Union street to the town line between Randolph and Holbrook.

Said location is, however, granted subject to the conditions and restrictions following:

The construction of said street railway shall be commenced within ten days after its incorporation, and prosecuted in such a manner as will result in its completion, equipment and operation on or before October 1, 1899.

The whole work of constructing said tracks, the precise location of the same and the setting of the poles within the limits of said location shall be subject to the direction and approval of the Selectmen of Randolph.

Said tracks shall everywhere conform to the established grade of the street in which it is laid, and if at any time changes of grade therein becomes necessary by reason of changes made in the street by proper authority, the expense thereof shall be borne by the Railway Company.

The location of the track on West street, beginning at the town line between Randolph and Stoughton, shall be on the easterly and southerly side to the junction of West and Warren streets; from the junction of West and Warren streets to Main street it shall be on the northerly and westerly side; in Central square, from the tracks of the Brockton Street Railway Company to the northerly side of Union street, and on the northerly side of Union street to the town line of Randolph and Holbrook, the exact location of the track within the lines of the streets named to be determined by the Selectmen.

The rails shall be made of steel and weighing not less than seventy pounds per yard, known as the Girder rail pattern; the tie shall be two feet from centre to centre; between the junction of West and Warren streets and the junction of West and Fowler streets a rail of the T pattern weighing not less than sixty pounds to the yard shall be used.

The poles to be of hard pine and of usual dimensions for poles of that material. That all material used in the construction and equipment of the road shall be the very best.

The company shall pave the whole space between the rails, and also on each side of the track for the space of eighteen inches with granite block paving, commencing on West street at the town line between Stoughton and Randolph to the junction of West and Warren streets, and also on West street from its junction with Fowler street to the tracks of the Brockton Street Railway on Main street; also from the tracks of the Brockton Street Railway Company at Central square on Central square to Union street, and on Union street to the town line between Randolph and Holbrook.

That all snow and other obstructions shall be removed from the tracks as promptly and in such manner as shall be satisfactory to said Selectmen, and if the company fails to do so, said Selectmen may have the same removed at the expense of the company.

The company shall at all times provide suitable cars, sufficient in number, and run the same at such intervals as will reasonably and comfortably accommodate the residents of the town, to the satisfaction of said Selectmen.

Upon the completion of said railway as located, said company shall file with the Town Clerk plans of said tracks, which shall show the same in detail with the sidings, and the same shall be subject to the approval of said Selectmen.

Said company shall not charge more than a five cent fare from any point in Randolph to any point in Stoughton.

Said company shall charge but a half fare to working men and working women between the hours of six A.M. and eight A.M., and between the hours of four P.M. and seven-thirty P.M., said company to issue tickets at the above rate; also a half fare for school children at all hours.

Said railway company shall at its own expense keep in good repair, and to the satisfaction of those officers having by law the charge of said streets of said town, that portion of the street occupied by the tracks, side-tracks and turn-outs, to the extent of eighteen inches outside of each rail thereof.

Said company may use to operate said railway any motive power, except steam, subject to the approval of said Selectmen.

The company shall file with said Selectmen, upon the acceptance of this location, a bond, with sufficient sureties in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, to indemnify and save harmless the town of Randolph from all claims for damages of whatever nature to any one in their person or property, caused by the construction of said street railway.

Said company shall locate the power station for said railway company in the town of Randolph, and shall give preference to Randolph men and teams for labor during construction, and shall pay for the same not less than is paid by the town for similar work, and will also give preference to Randolph men during operation of the railway.

That the company shall place a steam whistle or siren on its power station, to be used as an alarm for fires for the benefit of the town and its firemen.

That the franchise shall not be sold, transferred or assigned prior to the complete operation of the entire line according to the terms, conditions and agreement upon which this location is granted.

And it is further agreed between the town of Randolph by

its Selectmen, the party of the first part, and the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company, the party of the second part, that upon the acceptance of the location herein granted the party of the second part shall deposit the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) in the hands of the Treasurer of said town of Randolph, said two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be forfeited to said town of Randolph, the party of the first part, if the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company, the party of the second part, fails to comply with any of the terms or requirements of this grant. No return of said sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) shall be made to the party of the second part until the final completion of the construction of said railway and the operating of cars thereon, and the completion of said power station and car barn, all to the entire satisfaction of said Selectmen of Randolph.

[TOWN SEAL] PETER B. HAND,
 PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
 CHARLES H. THAYER,
 Selectmen of Randolph.

Randolph, Mass., June 26th, 1899.

ACCEPTANCE OF LOCATIONS, STOUGHTON AND RANDOLPH
 STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

BOSTON, Mass., June 27, 1899.

*To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen for the Town of
 Randolph :*

Respectfully represents the Directors of the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company :

That we hereby accept the location of the tracks of said company in the streets of the Town of Randolph, as granted

by your Board, together with all conditions and requirements as set forth by your order dated June 26, 1899.

EDWARD F. DRAPER,
LUCIUS CLAPP,
FRANKLIN WORCESTER,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
MARCUS L. URANN,
JOHN STRETTON,
WILLIAM L. HODGES,

*Directors of the Stoughton and Randolph
Street Railway.*

Received and filed this 14th day of July, 1899.

A true copy. Attest :

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN, *Clerk of Selectmen.*

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Randolph :

Everything has a cause for its existence and some useful purpose to accomplish as the object and end of that existence, though with our limited knowledge we cannot in all cases clearly perceive or define the object, usefulness or special purpose it was intended to subserve.

This fact applies to written laws as well as to animals, plants, etc.

Every law has some object in view—to demonstrate, generally speaking, something must be done and in what manner; implying also the doing of it will promote the interests of those whom the legislators had in mind.

It is clearly evident the object of the law for School Committees to make annual reports is, in the first place, to let the people know not only the financial outlays, but also the condition of the schools. In the second place, the object is order and the avoiding of confusion in accounts. A longer period than a year in which expenses were not straightened out, would tend to getting them more entangled.

Even the yearly report is not a pastime to those who have to make it up, but one of the hardest if not one of the most difficult of their duties; for accounts, like frightened horses, are liable to become unmanageable if allowed too loose a rein.

The reason for yearly reports is given by the statutes in these words :

“The School Committee shall annually make a detailed report of the condition of the several public schools, which

report shall contain such statements and suggestions in relation to the schools as the committee deem necessary or proper to promote the interests thereof."

To make a detailed report of the condition of each school, as here recommended, would require a great amount of labor and be otherwise inconvenient and very distasteful to most people.

The teachers, it is true, are the most potent factors in the education of children, as on them depends more than on any one else the progress the child will make in studies.

A teacher may possess and exercise all the good qualities which the literary part of her labors demand, and be lacking in others of a higher order, and thus leave a great deal undone of equally pressing importance and equally as urgently insisted upon by the statutes.

To explain this we cannot do better than again quote from the same :

"It shall be the duty . . . of all other instructors of youth to exert their best endeavors to impress on the minds of children and youth committed to their care and instruction the principles of piety and justice and a sacred regard for truth, love of country, humanity and universal benevolence, sobriety, industry and frugality . . . and also to point out to them the evil tendency of the opposite vices."

The child's education, then, according to the statutes, is made up of two parts,—one dealing with letters, the other with morals, both of exceeding importance to the child and to society.

This is the light in which the founders of our colony viewed it, and which has the sanction of all who came before or after them.

Since their time, however, many changes have taken place, and many new arrangements have been adopted, but nothing

has occurred to excuse one from leaving out anything herein recommended.

All sects of Christians, as also Pagans, agree that children should be instructed in morals as well as letters from their tender years. The reason is that, unless so instructed and trained in virtue, they will fail to accomplish for themselves and the State the full measure of usefulness promised by their natural ability when developed under the fostering care of a paternal government.

There should then be no question or any excuse for teachers neglecting the moral side of their duty, and we are aware most of them do not. As occasion arises, the teacher demonstrates that something is wrong morally and the evil effects that follow from it. If they do not teach morals from a text book, as grammar, it is because they are not required to do so.

Everything tending to vice coming under their observation is quickly suppressed, and the transgressor punished according to the extent of his offence. This, we think, is all that can be expected where the time is so short to devote to studies, provided the teacher herself possesses the proper disposition and is not so disturbed by external interests or passionate proclivities as to be unable to give her whole time and strength, when required, peaceably to her school.

Some people imagine the teachers' hours are too short, that they must have a great amount of idle time, and therefore receive too much pay for so short a day.

The school sessions being regulated on the consideration of the children's strength, we don't think it would be a benefit to increase them, nor, as at present, that they are too short for the teachers, all things considered. But, short or long, it ought to be insisted on that the teacher allows nothing to distract her mind in any degree during sessions.

It is not so much the length of time that tells to the ad-

vantage of the children as the energy and skill employed by the teacher.

If a teacher puts forth her best efforts during the time they call a short day there is not much fear she will suffer for want of exercise the remainder of it or care to take up any other work that requires close attention or strenuous effort.

Very few teachers leave the building at the end of the afternoon session, but frequently remain a considerable time with scholars who have failed to recite their lessons to the satisfaction of the teacher, or who they think will be benefited by a private talk or explanation after school.

There have been but few occurrences connected with the schools during the year that require special attention drawn to them, as nearly everything has passed off as smoothly, if not more so, than for years.

There has been some sickness among the children of the lower grades, mostly confined to contracting colds. A number also have been out on account of measles. The severe snow storms of last winter caused somewhat more than the ordinary loss of time to the schools from this source. On the whole, we may call it a successful year from an educational standpoint.

The North Street School still remains closed, the number of scholars not warranting us in opening it. There has, however, been a slight increase, which, if it should continue to grow, would oblige us to have school there again.

When closed in September, 1898, the children were sent to the North Grammar building on Belcher street, which, without this accession, could not properly accommodate its own scholars. It needs to be enlarged to meet the wants of the district, this being the only feasible means of obviating the difficulties encountered there.

This building we cannot say was not properly laid out when erected, for, not knowing what the needs of the time

were, we suppose they were provided for, and this plan was what was desired. It is, however, in the manner in which the partitions were placed that makes it so inconvenient to-day. It seems to us the idea was to employ assistant teachers instead of giving a separate school and room to each teacher. The building, though large, had only two school rooms, but these of dimensions that exceed today any others in town outside the High School. Besides these, there were two large ante-rooms which, no doubt, were to be used for recitation rooms.

One of the large rooms could, by dividing it in the centre, make two small ones, and this was done it appears from the beginning, and they have been used for school purposes ever since, though they are very inferior, being too small in size and too poorly lighted. One gets the sun in the morning, the other scarcely at all.

About twenty years ago, there being further need for school room in this district, the committee took the very unwise step of turning one of the ante-rooms into a place to keep a teacher and scholars the whole day. This cooped-up arrangement has been continued all this time as a school. With the ante-room was included a good portion of the entry on the girls' side, and the stairs were altered. The great fault in these latter acts was that, while there was nothing to spare previously for the disposal of clothes, it is impossible now to keep the children's garments off the floor; the floor space, too, being so limited that one cannot pass in most cases without treading on them.

It is not therefore altogether the size of the building that renders it unsuitable and causes it to be crowded, but the peculiar way it is laid out. According to the present needs, however, we do not think it advisable to disturb what was the two main rooms formerly, but by putting an addition on the west end we would secure four large rooms having the sun

all day, and each lighted on three sides. There would also be ample accommodation for clothes, etc., in the space between the main parts of the building and near to the entrances.

As to the crowding of Mr. West's and Mr. Belcher's rooms, there is no difficulty anticipated, for if it should continue we can open one of the three vacant rooms in the Prescott Primary.

In this building there are four good rooms, two of them quite large and only one of the four occupied. Till these are brought into use by a larger population, we will need no new buildings to be erected at great cost. The taxes are so burdensome at present on account of the large water debt, it would seem to us criminal to oppress the taxpayers with more bonds for something we will not require for many years to come.

The only changes made in regard to the teachers was that Miss Campbell and Miss Stetson were reinstated, Miss Campbell going to the Prescott, where she formerly taught, and Miss Stetson to District No. 1.

The State Board has again reminded us of the great advantages to be derived from the employment of a Superintendent of Schools, and we have arranged to have an article in the town warrant for this purpose.

Avon last year secured the services of a superintendent. The only adjoining town now without one is Holbrook.

There is a balance on the right side of our account this year. A good part of this balance is due to the fact of the schools having been charged up only thirty-seven weeks, this being all that was included in the fiscal year, though school sessions continued thirty-eight weeks. This item amounts to about \$200. We also received \$97 from an unexpected account — tuition of State wards.

We have endeavored to comply this year with the desire

of the State Board of Education — which will become obligatory next year — in regard to the commencement and termination of the school year. In future it will begin in September and end in June, instead of from January to December.

This is the reason why nothing that has taken place since September, 1899, has been alluded to in the present report. The financial report remains the same and covers the fiscal year.

A detailed statement of the expenses incurred for schools is given in connection with this report.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Leona Bloom.	Hortense G. Hayes.
Albertus R. Daniels.	Charles H. Jones.
E. Florence Devine.	Roland R. Tileston.
Roger B. Willard.	

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING TWO TERMS.

Annie J. Ainsley.	John Kiley.
Mary Ainsley.	Grace L. Langley.
Norman Baker.	Mary Leahy.
Gertrude Bowen.	Albert Lynch.
Edward Brady.	Charles E. Lyons.
Mary Burke.	Joseph Lyons.
Arthur Burrill.	Nellie Lyons.
Jamie Carroll.	Ellis Mann.
Flora E. Clark.	Ellis H. Mann.
Walter Devine.	Olive Mann.

Charles Dolan.
Josie A. Dunn.
Alice Dyer.
Frank Fay.
Ina Goode.
Arthur M. Hayden.
Dorothy Hayes.
Isabel Hogan.
Leo Hurley.
Frank Keith.
Margaret Kelliher.
Raymond L. Kelly.

Royal L. Mann.
J. Francis Mooney.
Mary Mulligan.
Mary Mullins.
Margaret O'Halloran.
Winfred Pierce.
Clarence L. Poole.
Marguerite Shepard.
Harold G. Soule.
Kittie Sutton.
Esther A. E. Wentworth.
J. Russell Willard.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 8 and 14 years of age.	No. under 5 years of age.
HIGH,	{ Fred E. Chapin . .							
	{ Isabel M. Breed . .	107	97.3	92.2	94.7	81	26	0
	{ Amy H. Wales . .							
	{ Ella H. Chase . .							
PRESCOTT	{ Thomas H. West . .	57	54	50.6	93.6	7	36	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Katie A. Kiley . .	33	30.7	27.9	90+	2	31	0
	{ Mary A. Molloy . .	38	32.6	28.9	88+	0	37	0
	{ Kittie E. Sheridan .	37	35	34	97	0	37	0
PRESCOTT	{ Mary E. Wren . .	40	39	35	91+	0	14	0
PRIMARY,	{ Ellen E. McLaughlin,	40	38	35	92+	0	4	0
	{ Kittie R. Molloy . .	55	48.1	44.4	91+	0	0	0
NORTH	{ Joseph Belcher . .	64	57	53	93	1	54	0
GRAMMAR,	{ Ellen P. Henry . .	40	36+	33+	92	1	36	0
NORTH	{ Sarah C. Belcher . .	37	36	33	92	0	22	0
PRIMARY,	{ Clara A. Tolman . .	37	34	31	91	0	2	1
	{ Susy L. Balkam . .	27	26	24	92	0	17	0
UNGRADED,	{ Hannah F. Hoyer . .	29	27	25	92+	0	29	0
	{ Elizabeth G. Lyons,	31	30	26	87	0	8	0
	{ Lucie W. Lewis . .	33	29	27	93	0	19	0

The committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1900 :

For teaching	\$7,200 00
Care of rooms	500 00
Fuel	400 00
Books and supplies	700 00
Miscellaneous, incidental and permanent repairs,	800 00

For Transportation of pupils	\$200 00
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	\$9,800 00
Less estimated revenue from the dog tax, State	
School Fund and Coddington Fund . .	700 00
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	\$9,100 00

MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
ROYAL T. MANN,
JOHN E. McDONALD,
School Committee of Randolph.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS FOR 1899.

FOR TEACHING (37 weeks).

Paid Thomas H. West	\$973 84
Joseph Belcher	973 84
Ellen P. Henry	438 08
Katherine A. Kiley	438 08
Katherine E. Sheridan	407 00
Mary A. Molloy	407 00
Mary E. Wren	370 00
Katherine R. Molloy	370 00
Clara A. Tolman	370 00
Lucy W. Lewis	370 00
Hannah F. Hoye	370 00
Sara C. Belcher	370 00
Elizabeth G. Lyons	370 00
Ellen McLaughlin	198 00
Susan Balkam	198 00
Fannie A. Campbell	150 00
Emma D. Stetson	150 00
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	\$6,923 84

FOR FUEL.

Paid E. M. Mann, wood	\$62 75
D. B. White, coal	311 82
M. T. Leahy, wood	9 75
James Barry, preparing wood	1 25
Abram Jones, wood	2 50
S. A. Thayer, coal	21 10
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	\$409 17

FOR CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid George M. Johnson	\$117 00
John P. Romey	231 25
Francis B. Thayer	38 90
Eleanor Holbrook	43 70
James Barry	60 00
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	\$490 85

FOR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Silver-Burdett & Co. . . .	\$8 57
American Book Co. . . .	84 12
Edward E. Babb & Co. . . .	15 83
J. L. Hammett Co. . . .	139 80
Benjamin H. Sanborn	5 00
Allyn & Bacon	33 00
Ginn & Co. . . .	107 98
E. E. Bradford	5 00
Thomas Hall & Son	5 11
Houghton, Mifflin & Co. . . .	16 13
Boston School Supply Co. . . .	21 35
Ollver Ditson Co. . . .	7 43
Wright & Potter Printing Co. . . .	1 07

Paid Suffolk Ink Co.	\$5 50
Thompson, Brown & Co.	2 92
T. H. Castor & Co.	10 08
Samuel Ward Co.	2 75
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	\$472 34

FOR MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid John P. Rooney, labor	\$52 50
F. J. Donahoe, truant officer	20 00
William Mahady, labor	2 75
C. A. Wales, labor and stock	3 25
James Barry, labor	4 37
W. R. Tilden, labor and stock	3 75
F. M. French, insurance	32 50
Dexter T. Clark, labor	1 00
J. White Belcher, insurance	30 00
E. A. Perry, labor	17 50
Joseph Belcher, cash paid	90
Walter French, tuning piano	2 50
F. L. Boyd & Co., labor	1 90
M. E. Leahy, labor	6 00
William Gill, labor	3 00
Francis B. Thayer, labor	8 30
C. H. Cole, labor	5 00
John E. McDonald, postage	70
J. Frank McMahon, taking census	20 00
Katherine A. Kiley, cash paid	14
Loring & Howard, rubber mats	3 50
E. M. Mann, chestnut posts	2 00
Arthur Alden, care of committee room	6 00
Eleanor Holbrook, 1 broom	35
S. M. Jones, labor	2 00

Paid Charles A. Payne, labor . . .	\$1 90
D. H. Huxford, printing, etc. . .	20 50
G. Jones, labor and stock . . .	8 75
George M. Johnson, setting glass . .	50
M. W. Baker, labor and stock . . .	3 25
M. A. Donovan, postage, care fare, etc. .	2 55
F. W. Hayden, supplies . . .	3 55
C. E. Lyons, labor . . .	1 86
H. B. Libby, labor and stock . . .	2 04
Eugene Thayer, supplies . . .	6 12
Nelson Mann, truant officer . . .	20 00
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	\$300 93

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid W. L. Pulson, labor and stock . . .	\$36 37
Isam Mitchell & Co., lumber . . .	35 51
James B. McDonald, labor and stock . .	60 87
Charles E. Lyons, labor and stock . . .	12 98
E. A. Perry, labor and stock . . .	58 40
Taunton Lumber Co., lumber . . .	59 51
W. A. Croak, labor and stock . . .	11 67
Nathaniel Noyes, labor and stock . . .	14 24
M. W. Baker, labor and stock . . .	13 50
E. W. Campagna, labor and stock . . .	32 00
Franklin Taylor, labor and stock . . .	9 08
S. A. Thayer, shingles, etc. . . .	21 34
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	\$365 47

FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

Paid Royal T. Mann, cash paid . . .	\$25 50
Royal T. Mann, cash paid . . .	16 00

Paid Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	\$9 00
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	25 00
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	20 50
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	9 00
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	35 00
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	26 00
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	26 50
Royal T. Mann, cash paid	.	.	.	13 50
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				\$205 50

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Teaching	\$6,923 84
Fuel	409 17
Care of rooms	490 85
Books and supplies	.	.	.	.	.	472 34
Miscellaneous and incidentals	300 93
Permanent repairs	365 47
Transportation of pupils	205 50
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						\$9,168 10

INCOME FROM FUNDS AND TAXES, ETC.

Coddington Fund	\$64 00
State School Fund	294 38
Dog licenses	393 46
Wards of State (education of)	97 00
Sundries sold by School Committee	5 63
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						\$854 47

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The condition of the fund is practically the same as last year. The arrangement regarding the Shawmut National Bank, alluded to in the last report, has not been fully carried out yet. Though we have agreed to take ten shares in the new bank, the National Shawmut, at \$150 per share, what we will have to pay, if anything, over the \$1300 to our credit in the former bank together with the extra dividends, has not yet been ascertained.

To avoid a possible misunderstanding, we thought best to show \$1300 as still part of the fund, and until such time as the account will be closed.

The list of securities are represented as follows :

10 shares Eliot National Bank	. . .	\$1,000 00
10 shares Hide & Leather National Bank	. . .	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe & Leather National Bank	. . .	1,000 00
10 shares Exchange National Bank	. . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank	. . .	1,000 00
5 shares Tremont National Bank	. . .	500 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank	. . .	1,000 00
10 shares National Shawmut Bank	. . .	1,300 00
6 shares Webster National Bank	. . .	600 00
3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent. bonds,		3,000 00
1 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent. bond,		500 00
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		\$11,600 00

The investment of the Turner Fund has not been changed.

The exercises connected with the fifty-fifth annual commencement took place on the afternoon of June 23d last.

Diplomas were granted to twenty graduates, the largest number ever so honored by the school.

Latin Course.

Mary E. Campagna.	William J. McLaughlin.
Margaret C. Donovan.	Mary P. Mahoney.
Sara Gertrude Doonan.	Teresa G. Pope.
James G. Heney.	Warren W. Palmer.
Mary F. Hayden.	Edith M. Thompson.
Mary Elizabeth Jones.	Frank V. Vye.
Herbert F. Langley.	Murvyn W. Vye.

English Course.

Cora A. Baker.	Myra C. Clark.
Albert F. Blanchard.	John E. McGahey.
Lester Clark.	Walter E. Scanlon.

The Turner medals were awarded to Margaret C. Donovan, the valedictorian, and M. Elizabeth Jones, the salutatorian.

At the beginning of the school year, September, 1898, there were 107 enrolled, 83 of whom chose the Latin course, and 24 the English course.

Of the class of 35 that entered at this time, 31 elected to take the Latin course, and 4 the English course.

The school is still under the able control of Mr. F. E. Chapin, a graduate of Dartmouth College, who has continued to give entire satisfaction to both parents and trustees.

Miss Breed, as stated in the last report, was obliged by reason of impaired health to give up her labors in the school temporarily, but returned for the Spring term and assumed her duties, which she has with renewed vigor faithfully performed since that time.

During the absence of Miss Breed, Miss Amy H. Wales filled the position with credit to herself and benefit to the school.

Miss Ella L. Chase, the other assistant, taught the whole year with unabated success, and which proved as marked in the advancement of her pupils this year as previously.

The trustees have endeavored to carry out, at the present time, the change recommended by the Board of Education, viz., to have the report cover the school year that commences in September and ends in June,—the financial report, however, to remain as heretofore. This will account for some items herein shown to be exactly the same as appeared last year, and will also explain why nothing pertaining to the time from September, 1899, to the present has been noticed in the report.

As the accounts show a balance in our favor, it is due principally to circumstances that do not occur frequently.

One of these is that while the school kept thirty-eight weeks of the school year, the financial year took in only thirty-seven weeks, which made \$65 less paid out for teaching. Another is that the income of the hall was greater this last year than usual.

The report of the secretary, C. G. Hathaway, Esq., is hereunto appended.

MICHAEL A. DONOVAN,
ROYAL T. MANN,
JOHN E. McDONALD,
Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

DR.		THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH	
1899.			
Jan.	To balance of old account	\$97 12	
28.	town appropriation in part	300 00	
31.	interest, Mass. Loan & Trust Co. . . .	1 88	
Mar. 3.	C. B. & Q. coupons	87 50	
22.	town appropriation in part	250 00	
Apr. 4.	bank dividends, Eliot National, \$30 00		
	Webster	12 00	
	Hide & Leather,	25 00	
	Shoe & Leather,	25 00	
	Exchange	30 00	
	Boylston	25 00	
	Old Boston	25 00	
		<hr/>	172 00
May 2.	town appropriation in part	300 00	
31.	town appropriation in part	250 00	
June 23.	town appropriation in part	300 00	
Sept. 27.	C. B. & Q. coupons	87 50	
30.	town appropriation in part	250 00	
Oct. 2.	bank dividends, Eliot National, \$30 00		
	Webster	12 00	
	Hide & Leather,	25 00	
	Shoe & Leather,	25 00	
	Exchange	30 00	
	Boylston	25 00	
	Old Boston	25 00	
	Shawmut	12 50	
		<hr/>	184 50
31.	town appropriation in part	300 00	
31.	interest, Mass. Loan & Trust Co. . . .	58	
Dec. 11.	town appropriation, balance of	250 00	
19.	bank tax refunded by town	109 96	
19.	rent of hall for year	277 00	
		<hr/>	\$3,218 04

THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1899.

Feb.	4.	By paying F. E. Chapin, account salary .	\$147 36
	4.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	4.	Amy H. Wales, account salary,	57 89
	4.	J. F. Gracey, repairs . . .	1 00
	13.	Check book	1 10
Mar.	3.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	3.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	3.	Amy H. Wales, account salary,	57 89
	4.	Dexter T. Clark, repairs on clock,	3 00
	22.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	73 68
	22.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	28 94
	22.	Amy H. Wales, account salary,	28 94
	24.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor .	28 50
	27.	C. A. Wales, bill	5 85
Apr.	4.	C. G. Hathaway, agent, insurance,	54 40
	19.	J. White Belcher, agent, insurance,	129 40
May	2.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	2.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	2.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	11.	Willard Small, books	6 67
	11.	L. C. Knott App. Co., supplies,	4 00
	27.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	27.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	27.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
June	23.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 44
	23.	F. E. Chapin, bill	2 20
	23.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 94
	23.	Isabel M. Breed, bill	1 30
	23.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 94
	26.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor .	37 20
July	6.	Walter French, tuning piano .	2 00
	6.	American Bank Note Co., diplomas,	5 00
	6.	Edwin M. Mann, wood	3 50
Aug.	24.	James B. McDonald, repairs .	13 80
Sept.	1.	William Mahady, bill	5 00
	30.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	30.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	30.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	30.	Dexter T. Clark, repairs on clock,	3 00
Oct.	2.	M. W. Baker, bill	4 65
	2.	E. A. Perry, bills	10 22

Oct.	2.	By paying Robert McLennan, bills . . .	\$12 50
	2.	L. E. Knott App. Co., supplies,	12 53
	7.	D. B. White, coal . . .	137 50
	27.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	27.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	27.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	30.	Hooper-Lewis Co., bill . . .	3 75
	30.	Frank F. Smith, charcoal . . .	9 00
Nov.	1.	Edwin M. Mann, wood . . .	11 50
	17.	Loring Howard, bill . . .	35 00
	24.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36
	24.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89
	24.	Ella L. Chase, account salary .	57 89
	28.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor . . .	29 25
Dec.	22.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	110 52
	22.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	43 42
	22.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary,	39 47
	30.	D. H. Huxford, bill . . .	36 25
	30.	E. A. Perry, bill . . .	4 00
	30.	E. W. Campagna, bill . . .	90
	30.	Check book and postage . . .	1 30
	30.	Charles Doughty, bill . . .	29 21
	30.	A. J. Gove, bill . . .	3 20
	30.	Trustees and Secretary for 1 year,	20 00
Balance			<hr/> \$3,097 95
			120 09
			<hr/> \$3,218 04

C. G. HATHAWAY,
Secretary.

RANDOLPH, January 29, 1900.

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have this day made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund for the year 1899 and find them correct.

The investments for the fund are as follows, viz. :

Eliot National Bank, 10 shares . . .	\$1,000 00
Hide and Leather National Bank, 10 shares .	1,000 00
Shoe and Leather National Bank, 10 shares .	1,000 00
Exchange National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Boylston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Tremont National Bank, 5 shares . . .	500 00
Old Boston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Webster National Bank, 6 shares . . .	600 00
* Shawmut National Bank, 13 shares . . .	1,300 00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 5 per cent. bonds	3,500 00
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	\$11,900 00

We also find in the hands of the secretary a \$1,000 bond of the City of Minneapolis, Minn., the investment for the Turner Fund.

PETER B. HAND.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.

CHARLES H. THAYER.

* NOTE.—Inasmuch as the liquidation of the Shawmut National Bank is not yet completed, the original certificate, representing 13 shares, on which a partial dividend of \$1,300 has been paid, is still among the securities in the hands of the trustees. Pending the final dividend, the new stock is held by the bank as collateral for the balance of the purchase price.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1899.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Vice-President and Treasurer.*

CHARLES G. HATHAWAY, *Secretary.*

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.

CHARLES H. THAYER.

PETER B. HAND.

Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

ASA P. FRENCH.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

JOHN V. BEAL.

HENRY A. BELCHER.

WILLIAM H. LEAVITT.

N. IRVING TOLMAN.

MRS. ALICE M. T. BEACH.

MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

MRS. ELLEN J. T. CRAWFORD.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant Librarian.

MISS FANNIE C. HOWARD.



PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with Article 3 of the By-Laws of the Turner Library, the twenty-fourth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees for the year ending December 31, 1899.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee, herewith submitted.

BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of John J. Crawford, Henry A. Belcher, N. Irving Tolman, Peter B. Hand and Charles H. Thayer) report that "the building is in good condition, except that the walls in the library proper should be refrescoed."

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Mrs. Clara A. Wales, Mrs. Ellen J. T. Crawford and William H. Leavitt), and the books, charts and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition; all books belonging to the library were accounted for by the librarian.

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal,

Charles G. Hathaway, J. Winsor Pratt and P. H. McLaughlin) report as follows :

"To the Board of Trustees of the Turner Free Library :

"In compliance with the requirements of Article Tenth of the By-Laws of the Turner Free Library, the Committee on Finance herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1899, and ending December 31, 1899, also the result of their examination of the Treasurer's accounts and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts of the treasury during this period of time, as per accounts of John J. Crawford, Treasurer, including the balance \$216.33 of last year, were \$5,482.07.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$4,623.48, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$858.59.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasury the committee find that all bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the Treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate ; that a cash balance of \$858.59, as above shown, is now in the treasury, and remains on deposit in the National Hide & Leather Bank, Boston.

"The Committee further find that all the rents, the interest and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library exclusive of the above mentioned balance consist of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) invested in a promissory note of the Town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, and the

sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) known as the 'Turner Fund' invested as follows :

"Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"One bond of the Old Colony Railroad Co. of \$1,000.

"One bond of the Erie Telephone Co. of \$1,000.

"Two bonds of the Chicago & West Michigan Railroad Co. of \$1,000.

"Three bonds of the Union Pacific Railroad Co. of \$500 each.

"Thirty-three shares of the preferred stock of the Union Pacific Railroad Co.

"The Royal W. Turner bequest is invested as follows :

"Ten Old Colony Railroad bonds, \$1,000 each.

"Ten Wayne County, Michigan, bonds, \$1,000 each."

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1899, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

The following extracts from the twenty-fourth annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees, contain a condensed statement of the present condition of the library :

"About the usual number of books have been acquired by purchase (397), and by donation from friends and authors (99), making the present total 14,778, a gain of 496 over the report of last year, which gave our total of catalogued volumes as 14,282.

"Most of these donations are included in the Alden collection, which were received late in 1898, but were not completely catalogued until January, 1899.

"A liberal supply of periodical literature has been placed at the service of the public.

"The total number of volumes borrowed for home use during the year has been 23,236, differing but slightly from the number loaned in 1898.

"The library has been open to the public two hundred and seventy-three days.

"The largest daily circulation was on February 12,—378.

"The daily average for the year, 85.

"Teachers' cards in circulation, 654.

"The condition of the books in the circulating department is as satisfactory as could be expected where proper allowance is made for the general wear and tear consequent on general circulation.

"In the Reading Room the attendance has been much the same as in former years.

"The papers and periodicals remain virtually the same, and the supply is sufficient for all reasonable demands.

"Current volumes of the several magazines are kept on file for reference until completed, when they are bound and placed on the shelves for general circulation.

"The reference work has noticeably increased during the year. These increasing demands have been not only in the line of the ordinary studies, and in researches of early histories of State, county and town, and in family genealogies, but in every conceivable line of investigation.

"It seems that the students of today and the schools of today are very much alive to the vital questions of the times."

During the past year two members of the board of trustees, Rev. Joseph C. Foster, D.D., and Mr. John B. Thayer, also the assistant librarian, Mrs. Francis O. Howard, have passed away after many years of faithful and efficient service.

At the close of another year the trustees desire to place upon record their appreciation of the valuable services ren-

dered by the librarian and the assistant librarian in the care and management of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, Jan. 1, 1900.

RANDOLPH, MASS., January 1, 1900.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . .	\$300 00
Charles H. Belcher . . .	250 00
Ladies' Library Association . . .	15 00
Interest on town loan	200 00
Income from Turner Fund	526 00
Income from R. W. Turner bequest . . .	800 00
Randolph Savings Bank for fuel . . .	96 24
2 Chicago, Burlington & Northern R.R. \$1000 bonds, called at \$105	2,100 00
Back interest on Kansas Pacific bonds . . .	129 00
From town for insurance and repairs . . .	812 50
Fines and collections	37 00
Balance January 1, 1899	216 33
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	\$5,482 07

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books and periodicals	\$561 64
salary of librarian	500 00
salary of assistant librarian	250 00

Paid salary of janitor	\$125 00
electric lighting	75 00
supplies, including express	56 92
insurance	726 00
fuel	181 00
2 Chicago & West Michigan R.R. bonds	2,011 52
binding	37 74
repairs	98 66
Balance December 30, 1899	858 59
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	\$5,482 07

The Turner Fund of \$10,000 is invested in —

3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. bonds	\$1,000 each
2 Chicago & West Michigan R.R. bonds	1,000 "
1 Old Colony R.R. bond	1,000 "
1 Erie Telephone and Telegraph bond	1,000 "
3 Union Pacific R.R. bonds	500 "

33 shares of the preferred stock of the Union Pacific R.R. Co.

The Royal W. Turner legacy is invested in —

10 Old Colony R.R. bonds of \$1,000 each.

10 Wayne County, Michigan, bonds of \$1,000 each.

The \$5,000 note of the Town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. stands as heretofore.

Respectfully,

JNO. J. CRAWFORD,

Treasuerr.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph:

Gentlemen, — The following report of Engineers of the Fire Department is herewith submitted :

On May 1, 1899, the department was organized as follows :

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; D. J. Brennan, J. E. Blanche, J. W. Farrell, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Assistant and Clerk*.

APPARATUS AND COMPANIES.

Engine 1: A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Engine 2: James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine: J. E. Blanche, *Driver*.

Ladder Truck 1: Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon 1: Charles Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel 2: Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. 1: 17 men, M. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. 2: 10 men, J. E. Clark, *Foreman*.

Ladder Co. 1: 14 men, C. S. Dolon, *Foreman*.

Chemical Co. 1: 13 men, J. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

January 1, 1899, 7 P.M., still alarm, caused by burning soot in chimney of dwelling on High Street owned and occupied by Julius Fischer; Chief Wales responded with a few men and portable extinguishers.

- April 1, 10 A.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Warren Street owned and occupied by heirs of Thomas Dumphy; damage to building and contents, about \$500; cause of fire, overheated stove; insured.
- April 12, 5.30 P.M., on a still alarm, a small fire on the roof of Peter McConnitty's shop, near N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R., was extinguished; damage small; cause of fire, supposed to be spark from locomotive of passing train.
- April 14, 11.50 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on High Street owned and occupied by Mrs. Jessie D. Brown; the building nearly destroyed; loss on building, about \$850; insured; loss on contents, \$450; no insurance.
- April 17, 6.45, alarm for fire on roof of coal sheds occupied by D. B. White, near N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R.; put out before arrival of apparatus; damage small; spark from locomotive the supposed cause.
- May 3, 7 P.M., alarm for a couch on fire in dwelling on Main Street owned by heirs of the late Mrs. Wm. J. Howe and occupied by Kingsbury Tebbitts; damage small.
- May 14, 3.50 P.M., alarm for fire in shoe factory on West Street owned and occupied by Tileston Bros.' Shoe Co.; cause of fire, spontaneous combustion. The blaze was extinguished by the automatic sprinklers, with which the factory is equipped, before the arrival of the apparatus.
- May 14, 8 P.M., Chief Wales with a force of men was called to a fire in woodland on the North side of Liberty Street, near the Burrell piggery.
- May 18, 12.30 A.M., alarm for fire in a barn on West Street owned and occupied by John Fahey. When the firemen arrived it was learned that the building was just over the line in Stoughton; wholly consumed.
- June 11, 3.45 A.M., alarm for fire in the dwelling on Warren Street (near the railroad) owned and occupied by Peter McConitty; cause of fire supposed to have been spark

from freight locomotive, as the fire was started in a small shop on that side toward the railroad track.

June 11, 6.30 A.M., Chief Wales was called to the dwelling on Main Street owned and occupied by George W. Wales, where a blaze had started in woodwork around the kitchen stove-pipe.

July 21, Chief Wales with a large force of men extinguished fire in woodland on the west side of Main Street, which had burned over a large area near the residence of Joshua Hunt.

July 29, 4.50 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on South Street owned and occupied by Mrs. Henrietta Hartman; cause, oil stove; damage about \$2,000.

August 21, 1 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Main Street owned and occupied by heirs of Ephraim Belcher; damage small; cause, oil stove.

September 12, 9.20 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Lafayette Street owned and occupied by heirs of James Sutton; cause of fire unknown; loss about \$600.

December 1, 7.30 P.M., alarm for fire in a small barn or storehouse on Liberty Street owned and occupied by Laura A. Burrell; loss about \$475; cause of fire unknown.

EXPENSES.

Paid 54 men \$12 each	\$648 00
54 men 530 hours at 50 cents	265 00
54 men 198 hours at 25 cents	49 50
on account of fires in woodland	89 37
board of engineers, fire service and cash paid,	52 25
engineer of steamer	40 00
fireman of steamer	30 00
A. J. Gove, hauling Central Station apparatus,	350 00
J. E. Blanche, hauling chemical	74 00
James Riley, hauling hose reel	18 00

Paid F. J. Donahue, steward and assistants, December 31, 1899	\$82 50
W. M. Howard, steward and assistants, to May 1, 1899	74 75
R. J. McAuliffe, steward, to May 1, 1899,	63 75
William O'Holleran, steward, to May 1, 1899,	13 25
E. L. Payne, care of Steamer 2, 2 years .	12 00
F. J. Donahue, shoveling snow from hydrants,	12 75
John Haney, shoveling snow from hydrants,	6 25
S. A. Thayer, coal for houses	19 00
D. B. White, coal for houses	39 00
A. W. Alden, care of room for engineers .	6 00
James Riley, rent of land	15 00
heirs of Mary Sullivan, rent of land . . .	10 00
S. A. Thayer, use of pung for Hose 2 . . .	10 00
F. W. Hayden, supplies	58
fire record book	5 00
James Fardy, iron work	5 15
Scrannage Brothers, pipe for chemical engine,	6 00
Eugene Thayer, supplies	4 56
M. W. Baker, stove-pipe, etc.	1 45
A. J. Gove, expressing, teams, etc. . . .	36 85
C. H. Belcher, supplies	2 57
C. D. Hill, supplies	2 83
W. A. Croak, labor and material	4 66
J. White Belcher, insurance on chemical engine 3 years	15 00
J. White Belcher, insurance on hose wagon 3 years	12 69
Joseph T. Leahy, insurance on ladder truck 3 years	22 56
Hartford insurance and inspection, 1 year,	30 00
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	\$2,130 27

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, one hose wagon, one hose reel (horse), one hose reel (hand), one chemical engine, one ladder truck, extra ladders in house of Hose 2 and Chemical 1, and, so far as can be seen, all the apparatus is in good condition for service. Some of the original hose that was purchased when the steamers were purchased is still on hand, but it is in a very poor condition, so much so that we believe the town should purchase some new hose. We therefore recommend the purchase of 500 feet, at an estimated cost of \$275 or \$300.

HOUSES.

The houses which shelter the apparatus are in pretty good condition. Some repairs will be needed during the coming year, for which a small appropriation will be required.

FIRE ALARMS.

Some three years ago a committee appointed by the town submitted a report upon this subject, but no action was had by the town. At the annual meeting in March, 1899, the matter was again referred to a committee, which will probably submit a detailed report at the next annual meeting. We therefore hope the town will see its way clear to install a good system of fire alarm very soon.

FIRE LOSSES.

The loss by fire to buildings and contents the past year has been about \$5,800.

The amount of insurance paid was about \$3,900.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1900.

We herewith recommend the following for the coming year, namely :

Twelve dollars per year per man ; 50 cents per hour for actual service at fires ; 25 cents per hour for guard or watch duty, fires in woodland, steward work, etc. ; engineer of steamer, 40 ; firemen of steamer, 30.

We therefore ask to have appropriated the following :

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
pay of 54 men at \$12	648 00
hour services	250 00
fires in woodland	100 00
insurance and inspection	70 00
repairs	50 00
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	\$2,118 00

C. A. WALES, *Chief,*
D. J. BRENNAN,
J. W. FARRELL,
J. E. BLANCHE,
W. A. CROAK, *Clerk,*
Engineers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRE ALARM.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

At the annual town meeting in March, 1899, the matter of a system of fire alarm came before the meeting. After a brief discussion of the subject, it was referred to a committee of five, they to take the matter under consideration and report at some future meeting.

Your committee has investigated the subject and are unanimous in recommending a fire alarm system for the town. The committee have been assisted in a measure by an expert. They together have looked the town over for the location of boxes and all other details required for the installing of a system of fire alarm. Annexed to this report will be found a statement in detail of the various articles and material required for use. The cost of said material is also given.

Your committee do not deem it necessary to enter into a very lengthy discussion in this report of the necessity of the adoption by the town of a fire alarm system. The subject has been brought before you many times in the past by the Engineers of your Fire Department, also by a very extended report by a former committee in the year 1897; therefore, it seems to your committee that the voters of the town ought to be pretty well informed upon the subject when they shall receive this report with the annexed statement of the Fire Alarm Company.

The committee have been in correspondence with the towns of Stoughton, Braintree, Weymouth, etc., with a view to ascertain the kind of system used by them, and whether or not the system in use by them gave general satisfaction.

We find that they all have the Gamewell system, as well as many other towns and cities, and that it gives perfect satisfaction wherever it is in use. The committee are, therefore, unanimous in their recommendation of the Gamewell system for this town, for the reason that it is the best and can be installed as cheap or cheaper than any other system.

Your committee recommend that alarm boxes be placed as follows, subject to such changes in the future as may be deemed expedient :

1. A box in Central square.
2. A box near residence of E. F. Knight, South Main street.
3. A box near residence of P. H. McLaughlin, South street.
4. A box near residence of John Goulding, Union street.
5. A box at junction of Cottage, Mill and North streets.
6. A box at junction of Liberty and North streets.
7. A box at junction of Oak and North streets.
8. A box at the West corners.
9. A box at junction of Main and Liberty streets (Baptist Church).
10. A box at junction of Allen and Roel streets.
11. A box at junction of Main and West streets (Hill's store).
12. A box at junction of West and Cross streets.
13. A box at junction of High and Lafayette streets (Tower hill).
14. A box at junction of Lafayette and West streets (Charles McCarthy's).
15. A box at junction of Warren and Fowler streets.
16. A box in Depot square, Warren street.

The material required for a fire alarm consists of the following, with estimated cost of each article : 16 boxes, \$800 ; 10 miles of wire, \$600 ; whistle and valve, \$325 ; 10-inch gong, \$65 ; battery, \$25 ; 2 galvanometers, \$25 ; house for

whistle machine, \$25 ; stable gong, \$25 ; 16 glass front boxes for keys, \$48 ; total (estimated) cost, \$1,938.

The cost of maintenance is estimated at from \$100 to \$150. This does not include such repairs as may be needed, from time to time, when wires are broken by severe storms, or from any other unforeseen cause. Neither does it include the steam power required for the whistle, as it is proposed that the town take advantage of one of the conditions named in the franchise of the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railroad, which is as follows :

"That the company *shall* place a steam whistle, or siren, on its power station to be used as an alarm for fires, for the benefit of the town and its firemen."

The above figures are to keep the battery in working condition and pay of a superintendent of alarms, a part of whose duty, at least, will be to have general supervision of the alarm system, to see that the battery is in working condition at all times, to make the required tests to ascertain if everything along the line is in working order, etc.

Therefore, in conclusion, we would suggest that the conditions as at present existing seem to be favorable for the introduction of a fire alarm.

We feel also that we have furnished about all the information required, and that with the poles on which to run the wire and provision made for the operation of a whistle machine, that much has been done toward the accomplishment of the object we wish to attain.

W. A. CROAK, *Chairman*,
D. J. BRENNAN,
HENRY F. ROONEY, *Secretary*,
JOHN A. HOYE,
H. FRANK LIBBY,

Committee on Fire Alarm.

February 1st, 1900.

178 DEVONSHIRE STREET, BOSTON, Dec. 28, 1899.

To the Committee on Fire Alarm, Randolph, Mass. :

Gentlemen,—Having looked over your town with a view of giving you an estimate on the probable cost of an alarm system, we beg to submit to your committee the following details of the same, together with an estimate of cost and the ordinary running expense of same :

The alarm to consist of one large 10-inch steam gong, to be located on the new power house. Attached to this steam gong or whistle will be an automatic electro-mechanical whistle blowing machine. This machine (page 22, catalogue) is run by a 300 lb. weight, controlled by a magnet, and is so arranged that it will blow the number of the box without the attendance of any one at the power station, the blasts on the whistle being about two seconds long, with an interval of one second between blasts. The weight drops about three-fourths of an inch to one blast, so that with a drop of 20 feet the machine will give 320 blasts with one winding. As an ordinary alarm consists of perhaps 30 to 40 blasts, it will be seen that the machine is good for several alarms with one winding. This machine should be in a small house built on the roof of power house directly under the whistle and directly over the boilers, to ensure live steam without water. This house will also protect the machine from ashes and dust incident to any boiler house. The whistle should be piped with three inch pipe and have an automatic valve directly attached to whistle, besides a shut-off valve where pipe attaches to boiler or main feed pipe.

We would also recommend that a gong be placed in the stable that supplies horses for drawing the apparatus, this gong to strike the number of the box pulled, so that the driver before leaving the stable knows the work he has to do. It will also give the correct alarm in case, from any cause, the whistle should not be heard in a bad storm.

BOXES.

It is proposed to locate sixteen alarm boxes or stations in different parts of the town. These boxes are made of cast iron, with composition hinges and tumbler trap locks on the outside case, and contain two other inside cases, the inner one with glass front in which is placed the mechanism for giving its own number on the whistle and bells connected. This number is given by simply pulling down a hook or slide, after which operation the mechanism gives four rounds of the box number, and cannot be interfered with by the person pulling the alarm, as the hook is disengaged during the running time of the box. Each box contains, besides the signalling movement, a telegraph for special signals, such as call for steamer, or no school, or "all out" signals, said key being under lock box, the keys to which are held by the engineers. Each box also has a small bell that is used in testing the box and also responds to all signals sent from the box or some other box. There is also a lightning arrester and a cutout that cuts the bell magnet out of main circuit when outside door is closed. This latter device is put in so that the town will have to maintain a minimum amount of battery. The boxes are to have a key left in the lock, but protected by a small glass fronted box, so that to give an alarm it is not necessary to hunt up someone who has a key, but simply "break the glass, unlock the door and pull hook."

These boxes are securely fastened at a convenient height to poles, and the wire entering and leaving same insulated and enclosed in gas pipe for a proper distance above the ground. In numbering the boxes it is well to place similar numbers in the same part of the town, for instance: Boxes south to be numbered, say, 34, 35, 37, 38; boxes east to be numbered 43, 46, 49; boxes north, 51, 52, 54, 57; boxes west, 61, 64, 66, 68.

These boxes are distinctly numbered, and cards are distributed through the town giving their locations and list of special signals.

LINE CONSTRUCTION.

The whistle machine, gong and boxes are to be all connected by a circuit of wire running on top of the poles already set in the street, this wire to be No. 9 galvanized iron, extra best grade, and to be covered where crossing the trolley wire and when considered necessary through trees; whenever practical, the wire to be above all other wires. Special attention should be given to this outside construction.

BATTERIES AND TEST INSTRUMENTS.

It is proposed to use the regular style of gravity battery, using a three pound zinc and blue vitriol solution. The actual expense for these materials will be from \$40 to \$50 per year.

In addition to the battery there will be placed in the battery room, or near by, two galvanometers or test gauges; these gauges answer the same purpose for the alarm as a steam gauge does to a boiler, showing the amount of current that is constantly passing over the line, and also if the line is in contact with other wires or trees. There is also a test switch and plug lightning arrester for testing the breaks. The alarm is run on what is known as a closed circuit, and any break or other trouble on the line is at once announced by a single blast on the whistle and gongs.

We have estimated the expense of such a system as outlined, with poles all set, to be \$1,938.

Trusting this will give you an intelligent idea of the fire alarm known as the Gamewell system, we remain,

Yours respectfully,

THE GAMEWELL FIRE ALARM TEL. CO.,
by A. D. WHEELER.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

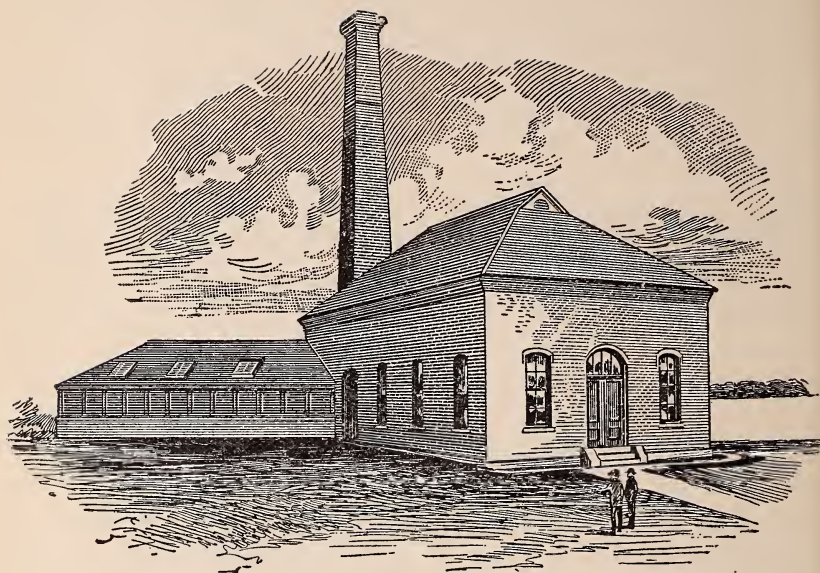
WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1899.



RANDOLPH PUMPING STATION.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

We respectfully submit to you the fourteenth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1899.

The condition of the Water Works will appear from the reports of the superintendent, Charles A. Wales, and the engineer at the pumping station, Edward J. T. Dexter.

The condition of the sinking fund and the outstanding bonds will appear from the report of the treasurer, Joseph T. Leahy.

Orders were drawn upon the Treasurer amounting to \$12,960.19.

On account of: Joint construction . . .	\$155 16
Joint maintenance . . .	1,929 81
Randolph construction, service	
pipe	1,119 77
Randolph maintainance . . .	6,716 07
Sinking fund	3,000 00
Holbrook	39 38
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Total	\$12,960 19

EXPENDITURES.

JOINT WORKS MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary as en-

gineer \$1,100 00

Paid Pay-roll for labor	\$464 26
F. A. Boyd & Co., labor and materials	54 30
J. White Belcher, insurance	6 30
Franklin Taylor, labor and lumber,	13 16
Jordan Marsh & Co., supplies,	5 60
Augustus Thurgood, supplies,	4 00
Holly Mfg. Co., supplies	10 38
Charles H. Cole, labor	5 00
James M. Jones, labor	3 12
Richard Forrest, labor	4 67
Frank H. Langley, labor	20 10
Underhay Oil Co., oil	36 04
Wollaston Foundry Co., casting,	3 12
Eagle Oil Supply Co., oil	28 44
Robert McLennan, labor and supplies	2 35
Crosby Steam Gage and Valve Co., supplies	69
James O'Brien, labor	6 00
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., freight,	58
Estate of Richard Adams, rent of stable	2 00
E. J. T. Dexter, expense	6 33
Frank A. Long, rubber boots,	4 50
Oliver Sullivan, labor	27 00
Charles E. Lyons, labor and material	8 45
Fairbanks Co., supplies	54
Edwin M. Mann, wood	2 50
Lyon's Express, carting and expressing	22 33
Town of Randolph, team labor,	4 50
Charles H. Belcher, supplies	21 90

Paid A. J. Gove, team and expressing,	\$19 50	
B. Johnson, lumber	13 82	
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies,	15 33	
Knowles Steam Pump Co., springs,	10 00	
Isam Mitchell Co., cement . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,929 81

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid W. O. Crooker, hay and grain,	\$93 11	
John W. Porter, coal	714 74	
Daniel B. White, coal	620 06	
C. E. Roberts, insurance on boilers	100 00	
C. H. McCarter, teams and blacksmithing	65 20	
Estate of Richard Adams, rent of stable	18 00	
Sumner & Goodwin, supplies,	13 67	
Niles Tool Works, chuck . . .	6 50	
A. W. Chesterton & Co., pack- ing	6 30	
Walworth Mfg. Co., drill . . .	3 00	
M. Murphy, blacksmithing . .	75	
G. T. Wilde, supplies	2 40	
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JOINT WORKS CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Paid by Randolph.

John V. Beal, attorney for John Do- herty, on account of John T. Lang- ford, by order of court	\$155 16	
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Total		<hr/> \$3,728 70

One half to be paid by each town	\$1,864 35
Paid by Holbrook :	
Sundry bills	\$1,643 73
Balance on joint account	220 62
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	\$1,864 35

HOLBROOK BILLS.

Paid by Randolph :	
Pay-roll, for labor	\$39 38
Refunded by Holbrook.	

RANDOLPH CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, SERVICE PIPE.

Paid F. A. Boyd & Co., labor and supplies	\$23 83
Pay-roll, for labor	360 15
Boston Lead Co., supplies	9 51
Coffin Valve Co., supplies	1 00
T. J. Kinney, supplies	2 91
George Woodman Co., pipe and fittings	71 03
George E. Gilchrist & Co., pipe and fittings, . .	170 34
National Meter Co., meters	234 49
C. G. Whorf & Co., supplies	26 82
City of Brockton, pipe	35 74
Frank H. Langley, labor	4 35
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., freight	1 95
Lyon's Express	9 60
A. J. Gove, use of horse and expressing	56 30
Walworth Mfg. Co., fittings	37 47
Thompson Meter Co., meters	13 44
Hersey Meter Co., meters	30 78
Sumner & Goodwin, supplies	30 06
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	\$1,119 77

RANDOLPH MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid interest on water loan	\$5,720 00
Charles A. Wales, services as Commissioner and superintendent for year ending De- cember 31, 1899	600 00
Peter B. Hand, services as Water Com- missioner 1 year ending March 1, 1899,	100 00
Daniel B. White, services as Water Com- missioner 1 year ending March 1, 1899,	100 00
Boston Safe Deposit Co., rent of box .	10 00
Pay-roll, labor	40 13
Arthur W. Alden, care of room . . .	6 00
George W. Wales, envelopes and box rent,	8 39
Franklin W. Porter, stationery . . .	1 75
Frank H. Langley, blacksmith's bill . .	6 00
Charles A. Payne, labor	2 00
Thorp, Martin & Co., receipt book . . .	5 00
Fred A. French, telephone and stationery,	1 26
Edwin M. Mann, wood	8 00
Charles Doughty, electric light . . .	8 47
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co., freight . .	1 44
A. J. Gove, use of team and express .	28 15
Daniel H. Huxford, printing	48 00
Chapman Valve Co., supplies	11 18
Joseph T. Leahy, expense	7 30
William Mahady, labor	3 00
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	\$6,716 07

WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, treasurer	\$3,000 00
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RECEIPTS.

Balance December 31, 1898	\$527 33
From town sinking fund appropriation	3,000 00
town water for hydrants, etc., appropriation	2,000 00
water fixed rates	5,773 92
water, meter rates ,	1,140 20
service pipe connections, paid by applicants	495 86
rent of meters	86 00
old iron sold	15 36
use of pump	2 00
Holbrook, Joint Account balance	220 62
Holbrook, for bills paid	39 38
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	\$13,300 67
Orders drawn	12,960 19
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Balance	\$340 48

The Commissioners recommend appropriations for the ensuing year.

For contributions to the sinking fund	\$2,500 00
For water for hydrants and public use	2,000 00

PETER B. HAND,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
CHARLES A. WALES,
Water Commissioners.

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 13, 1900.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,

R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT OF THE CON- DITION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

The station and grounds are all in good condition, and no repairs of any account will be required the coming year.

During the last year the Blake pump has been repaired. Other information in regard to pumps, boilers and station will be found in the report of E. J. T. Dexter, the engineer in charge of same.

GREAT POND.

During the last year, through the long dry season when other water works, mills, etc., were suffering from a scarcity of water, we were not obliged to limit the use of water, and, although the pond was lower than ever known before, the supply was inexhaustible, and the town should be thankful for having as good a water supply as any in the State.

The quality of the water is good, and, according to the report of the State Board of Health, who analyzes the same monthly, is as good as most any in the State.

STANDPIPE.

There have been no breaks or trouble with the standpipe during the last year, and the grounds are in the same condition as before.

During the coming year the standpipe should be painted inside, and this should be done at least every other year.

MAINS.

No extensions have been made during the last year. In regard to the condition of those already put in, I am glad to report that wherever there has been a chance to examine them they seem to be in as good order as when put in.

There have been six (6) breaks in the mains during the last year; three (3) have been all joint breaks; two (2) were on the main street opposite the residence of Charles H. Kendrick, and four (4) have been between the residence of A. J. Towne where the main leads from the main street to the pumping station. Three (3) are owing to the loose nature of the ground, and are liable to happen in this section of the pipe line at any time.

HYDRANTS.

There are the same number as last year, one hundred and fifty-five (155). As has been the custom before, these were examined in the Fall, two (2) repaired, and, as far as can be known, all are in working order at the present time. They should be painted the coming season.

METERS.

We still believe in the use of meters, and, although the rates received in many cases are less where they are in, takers are more apt to look after their fixtures and any useless waste of water.

In many systems of water works the use of meters is being introduced in the entire system, as, according to the best authority, the waste from various causes is nearly one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the supply. Any way which will lessen this waste is a gain in the expense of pumping the same.

In closing this report, I would say, from what little experience I have had in charge of the Water Works and what I have read and seen of others works, that the people should realize that the putting in of these was well looked after by the ones in charge of the same, and that today we have as good a water supply, station, pumps, boilers, hydrants and mains as any in the State.

The station is open for inspection at any time, and the people should, and we cordially invite them and strangers to call and inspect the same.

CHARLES A. WALES,
Superintendent.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph :

Gentlemen,—I submit to you my twelfth annual report as engineer of your plant for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899.

We had the misfortune to have a crack appear in one of the water cylinders of one of our pumps last November, which gave way entirely November 26, and had to be replaced by a new one. This work, which you placed in my hands with full authority, has been completed at a small outlay outside of the actual cost of material, and in this expense is included the cost of overhauling the entire engine, which is now in as good condition, with the exception of painting, as when new, and I trust that an examination of the expenses incurred, and a comparison with a known cost from another source, will be entirely satisfactory. I would also bring to the notice of the Commissioners the great need of a second air pump and condenser sooner or later, as you know we have but one, and that connected to both engines is in operation every day, so that nothing in the way of permanent repairs can be made upon it, as I can not spare it long enough. We can operate the engines without it, but it

would require the use of both boilers, nearly double the amount of coal and the services of another man while running. I speak of this that we may be prepared. The present air pump is doing good work at the present time, but I can see that the time is coming not very far away when it will refuse to do its work. We have the means of doing everything necessary in the line of repairs that will be needed if we could get along without using the pump for a few weeks, and the amount we would save by doing the work here at our own pleasure, compared with the cost of being obliged to get it done outside in a hurry should it give out, would go a long way towards paying for a second one. I do not look for any trouble from this source for some time to come, probably not this year.

Following is the usual table :

DATE.	Water pumped, Gallons.	Daily average, Gallons.	Coal burned, Pounds.	Daily average, Pounds.
January . . .	7,841,062	261,368	58,478	1,949
February . . .	6,313,440	210,448	47,224	1,574
March . . .	7,293,662	243,122	51,626	1,720
April . . .	7,455,384	215,179	48,366	1,612
May . . .	11,302,225	376,740	69,131	2,301
June . . .	15,393,594	513,119	87,600	2,920
July . . .	12,489,155	416,305	74,649	2,488
August . . .	12,034,350	401,145	73,912	2,463
September . . .	8,420,959	280,698	56,209	1,873
October . . .	6,507,558	223,585	43,390	1,446
November . . .	5,717,311	257,243	42,291	1,309
December . . .	5,842,370	294,745	45,294	1,509
Totals . . .	106,611,070	292,085	698,170	1,912

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. T. DEXTER,

Engineer.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following regulations, until further notice, shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses water :

1. All applications for the use of water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, and state fully the purposes for which it is intended to be used. Water will not be introduced into any building or premises except on the written application of the owner thereof, or by a duly authorized agent. The property will in all cases be held responsible for the water rates.

2. All persons taking water must keep their water pipes and fixtures in good repair and protected from the frost at their own expense. They will be held liable for all damages resulting from their failure to do so. They shall prevent all unnecessary waste, and water shall not be left running to prevent freezing. The Water Commissioners or their agent may, from time to time, ascertain the quantity of water used, the manner of its use, and whether there is any unnecessary waste. They and their agents shall have free access to the premises supplied, to examine the apparatus, and if any fixtures are found not to be in good order, they shall direct them repaired, and if not repaired within two days the water shall be shut off and not let on again until such repairs are made, and the sum of two dollars paid for shutting off and turning on the water.

3. The occupant of any premises, when unnecessary waste of water occurs, shall be liable to a fine of two dollars for the first offence, and four dollars for the second offence during the same year, and shall be notified thereof in writing; and if such waste is not prevented and the fine aforesaid paid within two days from the time when the said notice is given, the water shall be shut off from the premises, and shall not

be again let on for the same occupant until the waste be stopped and the fine paid, together with an additional sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water; and in case of a third or subsequent offence the water shall be shut off, and shall not again be let on except by a vote of the Water Commissioners and the payment of such fine, not exceeding ten dollars, as the Water Commissioners may impose.

4. Any person supplied with water shall not allow another to take water from their fixtures without the written permission of the Water Commissioners. If any tenant, having no fixtures, has any use of such fixtures, full rates will be charged for such use by each tenant.

5. All parties using water in stables, for horses or other animals, will be charged schedule rates for the same, whether it be carried by hand or through hose.

6. All persons using water for building purposes are required to obtain a permit from the Water Commissioners before taking water from any faucet or fixture connected with the water works, and all water takers are warned not to let any party take water from their premises until they show a permit from the Water Commissioners. Any person furnishing water in violation of this section will be subject to a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and if the same when levied is not paid within three days from the time when the notice thereof is given, the water will be shut off from the premises, and will not be let on again until such fine is paid.

7. All fixtures and water-closets and urinals must be of a kind and quality approved by the Water Commissioners.

8. No person shall in any case be allowed to open any fire hydrants except by a written permit from the Water Commissioners; but the Engineers of the Fire Department shall in all cases have control of hydrants at fires and for practice.

9. The Commissioners reserve the right to restrict the use of hose or fountain, to shut off the water in all cases when it becomes necessary to make extensions or repairs, or for violation of any of the regulations, or whenever they deem it expedient.

10. The regular rates for the use of water shall be payable in advance on the first days of January and July of each year, except where water is supplied to manufacturers by special agreement. In all cases of non-payment of the water rates within ten days after the same is due, as well as for any violation of these rules and regulations, the supply will be shut off, and the water will not again be let on except upon the payment of the amount due, and the sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water.

11. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to change the water rates at any time, except in case of dwelling-houses, and establish special rates.

12. For business requiring large quantities of water, and all supplies not enumerated in the tariff of rates, special rates will be made.

13. Parties using water for manufacturing or domestic purposes can erect hydrants on their grounds or standpipes in their building, to be used only as protection against fire, without additional charge for water.

14. All service pipes will be put in by the Water Commissioners. All applicants for the introduction of service pipes into their premises are required to make written application therefor at the office of the Water Commissioners. The Commissioners may then proceed to lay the necessary service pipes to the interior of the building, provided all expenses incurred beyond the line of the street shall be paid by the owner of the premises, who shall thereafter maintain and keep the same in good order at his own cost; and the same shall be at all times subject to the control of the Commissioners.

All applicants for whom the pipe is laid will be charged for the use of one faucet whether the water is used or not, unless they pay all expense that has been incurred in laying such service pipe, and in no case will the main be tapped more than once for the same premises, unless the additional expense is borne by the owner.

The following water rates are established until further notice :

No connection made with the main pipe for any purpose for less than	\$6 00
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DWELLING-HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for the first faucet	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family,	2 00
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family	5 00
One faucet for each family	6 00
For first bathtub	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00
Each additional bathtub	2 00
For first pan or self-acting water closet	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet	2 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	
Laundry tub	3 00

BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet	\$10 00
Each additional faucet	3 00
First bathtub	10 00
Each additional bathtub	3 00
First pan or self-acting water closet	10 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet	3 00

PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse	\$5 00
Each additional horse	3 00
Each cow or ox	1 00

LIVERY, EXPRESS, AND BOARDING STABLES.

For the first four horses	\$12 00
From five to twelve horses, each	2 00

The above prices include water for washing carriages.

Offices, Stores, Markets, Barber Shops and Restaurants—When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

Building Purposes—Each cast of lime or cement, \$0 05

HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows and similar uses, $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch nozzle, to be used only on premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year,	5 00
For any use not herein enumerated, special rates will be made.	

METER RATES.

For not over 1,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons	\$0 30
For over 1,000 gallons and not exceeding 2,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons .	25
For over 2,000 gallons per day, per 1,000 gallons,	20

Provided that in no case where a meter is used shall the annual charge be less than \$8.

Meters will be supplied by the Water Commissioners, for which an annual rental will be charged as follows :

Size $\frac{5}{8}$ inch, \$2 per year.

Size $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, \$2 per year.

All needed repairs, damages by frost excepted, will be made at the expense of the town.

Persons desirous of owning their meters will be supplied at cost.

PETER B. HAND,
DANIEL B. WHITE,
CHARLES A. WALES,
Water Commissioners.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER IN ACCOUNT WITH
RANDOLPH WATER WORKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1898	\$587 33
Received for water rates, service pipes, etc.	7,513 34
Received town appropriations:	
For hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
For sinking fund	3,000 00
Received from Holbrook	260 00
	<u>\$13,360 67</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Paid orders of Water Commissioners	\$12,960 19
Paid three coupons of 1898 presented for payment in 1899	60 00
Balance on hand December 30, 1899	<u>340 48</u>
	\$13,360 67

FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY MONTHS.

MONTH.	Receipts.	Payments.	Balance.
December, 1898			\$587 33
January, 1899	\$1,169 00	\$460 00	1,296 33
February	141 50	496 44	941 39
March	526 41	120 98	1,346 82
April	1,081 85	2,094 75	333 92
May	325 74	389 04	270 62
June	105 92	5 00	371 54
July	1,791 92	1,294 17	869 29
August	448 12	483 89	833 52
September	1,595 81	369 12	2,060 21
October	407 95	2,062 94	405 22
November	542 27	573 79	373 70
December	4,636 85	4,670 07	340 48
Totals	<u>\$12,773 34</u>	<u>\$13,020 19</u>	<u>\$340 48</u>

RANDOLPH, Mass., February 13, 1900.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
HERBERT F. FRENCH,
Auditors.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

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Balance on hand December 31, 1898	.	.	\$4,724 86
Received for town note	.	.	4,000 00
town appropriation	.	.	3,000 00
Received interest :			
On town note, \$4,000, one year	.	\$160 00	
town note, \$3,000, one year	.	120 00	
Old Colony Railroad bond, one year,	120 00		
Maine Central R.R. bond, one year,	30 00		
Town of Randolph bonds, one year,	880 00		
On deposits in savings banks :			
Randolph	.	\$23 56	
Abington	.	51 38	
Quincy	.	50 22	
Brockton	.	50 22	
North Easton	.	50 22	
Mass. Loan & Trust Co.,	18 38		
		<u>243 98</u>	
			<u>1,553 98</u>
			\$13,278 84

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By amount paid for town note, one	
year	\$4,000 00
By amount paid for town note, one	
year	3,000 00
By amount deposited in savings banks,	225 60
Cash balance deposited in Mass.	
Loan & Trust Co.	6,053 24
	<u>\$13,278 84</u>

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF WATER ACCOUNT

DECEMBER 31, 1899.

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds outstanding: amount due,—

April 1, 1902	.	\$10,000 00	
April 1, 1907	.	20,000 00	
April 1, 1912	.	20,000 00	
April 1, 1917	.	40,000 00	
May 1, 1918	.	20,000 00	
July 1, 1922	.	25,000 00	
July 1, 1926	.	8,000 00	
		<u>—————</u>	\$143,000 00
Interest due on bonds Dec. 31, 1899,		1,693 33	
		<u>—————</u>	\$144,693 33

ASSETS.

Amount of sinking fund	.	\$44,365 23	
Cash in hands of Treasurer	.	340 48	
		<u>—————</u>	44,705 71
Net water debt December 31, 1899,			<u>\$99,987 62</u>

Net water debt December 31, 1898 .	.	\$104,294 75	
Net water debt December 31, 1899 .	.	99,987 62	
		<u>—————</u>	
Decrease of water debt in 1899 .	.	\$4,307 13	

STATE OF THE RANDOLPH WATER LOAN SINK-
ING FUND DECEMBER 31, 1899.

1 Old Colony R.R. bond, registered 4 per cent,	\$3,000 00
1 Maine Central R.R. bond, coupon, 6 per cent,	500 00
22 Town of Randolph bonds, 4 per cent . . .	22,000 00
1 Town of Randolph note, 4 per cent . . .	4,000 00
1 Town of Randolph note, 4 per cent . . .	3,000 00
On deposit in Abington Savings Bank . . .	1,323 88
On deposit in North Easton Savings Bank . . .	1,293 52
On deposit in Quincy Savings Bank . . .	1,293 52
On deposit in Brockton Savings Bank . . .	1,293 52
On deposit in Randolph Savings Bank . . .	607 55
On deposit in Mass. Loan & Trust Co. . .	6,053 24
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	\$44,365 23

RANDOLPH, MASS., Feb. 13, 1900.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have examined the sinking fund and find it to agree with the statement above made.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
HERBERT F. FRENCH,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

From a financial standpoint the year ending December 31, 1899, has been an exceptionally prosperous one for the town, and our standing, as compared with that of one year ago, shows a marked improvement. The town debt, as shown by the statement which follows, has been reduced by over \$6,000 from the amount owed on December 31, 1898, and it may not be amiss to review the causes which have led to this condition.

Appropriations were made at the annual meeting as follows : \$500 for the reduction of the debt incurred for the highway plant ; \$1,500 for refunding the expenses incurred and paid in 1898 for the removal of snow, and \$800 for refunding the expenses of poor out of almshouse, also incurred and paid in 1898. These amounts reduced the debt by \$2,800. The feature of the year's report most deserving of congratulation, in the opinion of the Treasurer, is the absence for the first time in many years of the term "net amount overdrawn," and the substitution therefor of the term "net amount unexpended." This shows a commendable carefulness in each department, which we can only hope will be emulated in the coming year.

If the gross amount of the appropriations is not overdrawn, the town debt must show in each year a healthy decrease from the amount in the one preceding it.

The amount of the corporation tax refunded in 1899 has been nearly \$1,000 in excess of that of previous years, and we have received, for the first time, taxes from the various street railway companies which have wonderfully lightened our burdens. Under the old system of apportioning corpo-

ration taxes, as applied to street railway companies, the tax was refunded to the towns where the shareholders resided, in proportion to the number of shares held by such residents respectively. The present law provides that, instead of such apportionment, the tax shall be apportioned among the several cities and towns in proportion to the length of tracks operated by such company in said cities and towns respectively. The receipts under this law during the past year have been \$789.87 representing the tax of 1898, and \$1,214.82 representing the tax of 1899. In addition thereto, we have received an excise tax, levied directly by the assessors, amounting to \$874.85. These returns will recur annually, and without doubt will increase in volume, because increased earnings insure an increased tax to the town.

The following table, compiled from the returns of the various companies to the assessors, will show the amount of excise tax levied on each, the Brockton Street Railway Company being assessed at the rate of $2\frac{1}{4}$ per cent, the Quincy & Boston Street Railway Company at the rate of 2 per cent, and the Boston, Milton & Brockton Street Railway Company at the rate of one per cent of gross earnings in proportion to the mileage of each company in the town:

	Brockton St. Ry. Co.	Quincy & Boston St. Ry. Co.	Boston, Milton & Brockton St. Ry. Co.
Total number of miles of			
track owned and operated,	46.747	40.359	10.364
Number miles owned and			
operated in Randolph,	3.867	2.015	1.546
Gross receipts for year			
ending Sept. 30, 1899,	\$358,873.21	\$190,819.86	\$10,994.30
Gross receipts per mile			
of track operated .	\$7,676.92	\$4,728.06	\$1,060.91
Excise tax levied by as-			
sessors	\$667.95	\$190.54	\$16.39

During the year the treasurer has received from the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company and deposited to the credit of the town, two thousand dollars, conditioned upon the faithful performance of all the requirements of the Selectmen by said company.

Regarding the future reduction of the town debt, we have already provided for an annual appropriation of \$500 on account of the road plant, and an annual appropriation of \$850 on account of new streets; this year we ask you to provide a further reduction of \$630 annually for ten years, to refund a loan of \$6,300 becoming due June 2, 1900.

An unsatisfactory feature of the treasurer's report is the portion showing that the tendency to hold back taxes is still increasing and that each year's report shows a larger amount of taxes outstanding than the one preceding it. Should we meet with the same unfavorable conditions we experienced in 1898 we will be placed in such an unpleasant situation that enforcement of collections must be made at short notice.

The report in detail follows.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1898	\$1,008 39
Money borrowed on town notes	58,500 00
Received on account of taxes : Of 1896	\$61 48
Of 1897	7,992 85
Of 1898	8,500 00
Of 1899	25,000 00
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	41,554 33
Received from State Treasurer :	
Corporation tax, 1898	\$72 15
Corporation tax, 1899	4,670 15
Street railway tax, 1898	789 87
Street railway tax, 1899	1,214 82
National Bank tax, 1899	1,770 34
Military aid, 1898	281 00
State aid, 1898	2,593 00
Burial of soldiers, 1898	105 00
Massachusetts school fund, 1899	294 38
One-half salary of inspector	25 00
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	11,815 71
Received from Selectmen for sundry accounts . .	1,250 10
Received from other towns, pauper account :	
Boston	25 60
Brockton	62 90
Taunton (two years)	91 00
Weymouth	6 00
Milton (two years)	286 70
Cambridge	34 00
Milford	33 00
Holbrook	314 08
Braintree	60 00
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	913 28
Received from interest : On deposits	\$52 27
On taxes	800 00
Premium on notes	347 72
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	1,199 99
Received from School Committee :	
Interest on Coddington fund	\$64 00
Sale of sundries	5 63
Refunded for tuition	97 00
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	166 63

WITH THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

Received from County Treasurer: Dog licenses	\$393 46
Received from licenses of various kinds	10 00
Received Court fees: Dedham	\$10 ⁰⁰ 00
Quincy	129 66
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	139 66
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	\$116,951 55

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid treasury notes	\$56,000 00
Paid orders of Selectmen	53,215 83
Balance in hands of Treasurer December 30, 1899	7,735 72
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	\$116,951 55

CONDENSED MONTHLY STATEMENTS.

MONTHS.	RECEIPTS.						EXPENDITURES.		BALANCE.	
	Taxes.	Select- men, sundry accounts.	Money borrowed on town notes.	Interest.	Other towns, pauper account.	State Treasurer.	All other sources.	Orders of Selectmen.		Town notes.
December, 1898,										\$1,008 39
January, 1899 .	\$1,500 00	\$183 95	\$3,000 00	\$9 59	\$136 50			\$1,169 65		\$2,838 74
February . . .	1,000 00	6 10	14,000 00	1 48	6 00	\$72 15	\$9 29	4,362 70		306 08
March	1,500 00	56 00	30,000 00	1 00	128 73	789 87		2,379 93	\$9,000 00	4,021 17
April	4,000 00	109 94		3 12			4 00	5,736 54	25,000 00	5,760 23
May	2,500 00	114 50		4 49				6,751 85		3,125 44
June	1,000 00	70 00		1 48		25 00		3,481 19		2,263 24
July	2,000 00		11,500 00	349 90			23 03	2,782 29	11,500 00	600 46
August	4,000 00	40 00					97 00	1,484 34	500 00	1,563 02
September . .	19,000 00	109 20		4 77				3,998 16	10,000 00	1,104 86
October	3,000 00	75 00		1 97	77 00	94 19		4,773 63		5,539 39
November . . .	2,054 33	485 41		822 19	565 05	10,928 69	482 24	2,993 38		5,699 98
December . . .								13,302 17		7,735 72
Totals, 1899 .	\$41,554 33	\$1,250 10	\$58,500 00	\$1,199 99	\$913 28	\$11,815 71	\$709 75	\$53,215 83	\$56,000 00	\$7,735 72
Totals, 1898 .	38,635 06	749 01	70,000 00	1,259 25	761 48	9,362 30	1,135 33	*59,500 30	65,000 00	1,008 39
Totals, 1897 .	41,436 20	1,071 25	67,000 00	956 64	998 50	8,726 78	719 66	*56,965 45	64,500 00	3,606 26
Totals, 1896 .	35,000 00	996 28	57,600 00	1,505 51	1,028 75	9,575 60	610 81	*54,560 79	53,600 00	4,162 68

* Includes all payments except town notes.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

LIABILITIES.

Treasury notes :

Turner Library, 4 per cent . . .	\$5,000 00	
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent .	10,000 00	
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent .	5,000 00	
Coddington Fund, 4 per cent . . .	1,600 00	
One note (renewal), $3\frac{1}{4}$ per cent .	15,000 00	
Ten notes (Allen street and Highland avenue), 4 per cent	8,500 00	
Three notes (Liberty and Lafayette streets), 4 per cent	6,300 00	
One note (Liberty, North and Lafay- ette streets), 4 per cent	3,000 00	
Nine notes (road plant), 4 per cent .	4,500 00	
Five notes (anticipation of taxes) .	25,000 00	
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	\$83,900 00	
Interest on above notes (estimated)	593 62	
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ASSETS.

Salt marsh, Quincy	\$300 00
Unpaid taxes of 1898	8,507 91
Unpaid taxes of 1899	18,244 36
Interest due on taxes (estimated) .	2,025 00
State aid, to be refunded	2,790 00
Military aid, to be refunded	294 00
Burial expenses, to be refunded . .	35 00
Balance of Corporation tax	60 48
Due from Boston, pauper account .	32 50

Due from Weymouth, pauper account,	\$14 00	
Due from Quincy, pauper account .	14 25	
Due from State, pauper account .	55 00	
Cash in hands of Treasurer . . .	7,735 72	
	<hr/>	\$40,108 22
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1899		\$44,385 40
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1898 .	\$50,472 54	
Net town debt Dec. 31, 1899 .	44,385 40	
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Decrease of debt in 1899 . .	\$6,087 14	

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,
Treasurer.

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 13, 1900.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
R. P. BARRETT,
HERBERT F. FRENCH,
Auditors.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

RANDOLPH, February 5, 1900.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, and find the same correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

HERBERT F. FRENCH,
MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM,
REDMOND P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETINGS

IN 1899.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 6, 1899.

Pursuant to a warrant issued by the Selectmen of Randolph, dated February 14, 1899, duly served and returned by Michael F. Sullivan, Constable, calling on the inhabitants of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to take action on the thirty-five articles contained therein, the qualified voters assembled in Stetson Hall on Monday, March 6, 1899.

The oath of office was administered by the Town Clerk to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerks, and a package containing 1,260 regular and 60 special ballots was delivered to them. Specimen ballots and cards of instruction were posted as required by law.

A 6 o'clock A.M. the meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and officer's return, and called for action under —

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Voted, no one objecting, that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for John T. Flood for Moderator, which being done Mr. Flood was declared elected, and took charge of the meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to

vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Voted, that we proceed to ballot for all such town officers as towns are by law authorized to choose at their annual meeting, viz.: A Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, one Superintending School Committee, three Auditors, seven Constables, three Fish Wardens, one Trustee Stetson School Fund, one Water Commissioner and a Collector of Taxes; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?" That the polls shall be kept open until two o'clock P.M.; that Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 35 of the warrant be referred to a committee of seven to be appointed by the Moderator, said committee to report at an adjournment of this meeting, and when this meeting adjourns it shall be to Monday, March 20, 1899, at 7.30 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of taking action upon report of said committee.

The following named persons, appointed by the Selectmen, were called to take their respective position, viz.:

Officers at gates: Thomas Farrell, Frank J. Donahoe.

Deputy ballot clerks: William A. Croak, Thomas Whitty, Jr.

At check list: Rufus A. Thayer.

At ballot box: Dexter B. Clark.

The oath of office was administered to the four last named persons by the Moderator.

The ballot box was examined, found in good order, and shown to be empty; it was then locked and the key given to the officer at the gate; the polls were then declared open for the reception of ballots.

During the time set for balloting the ballot box was opened five times and ballots were removed as follows :

At 8.35 A.M., register indication	.	.	.	.	398
" 9.54 A.M., "	"	"	.	.	584
" 11.00 A.M., "	"	"	.	.	661
" 11.50 A.M., "	"	"	.	.	702
" 1.30 P.M., "	"	"	.	.	841

The ballot box registered correctly until noon, but the count made at 1.30 o'clock P.M. showed a difference of three ballots from the register indication.

The following named persons appointed by the Selectmen were called to take positions as tellers, and the oath was administered by the Moderator :

Royal T. Mann.	Ezra Holbrook.
James D. Sheridan.	William B. Spear.
Dominick J. Hand.	Nelson Mann.
Henry E. Cottle.	John K. Willard.
William H. Pope.	William F. Barrett.
Fred L. Belcher.	Franklin W. Hayden.

At two o'clock it was voted to close the polls. The ballot box registered 847, but the check-list and ballot clerk's list each showed 844 names checked, and the Moderator counted out 844 ballots.

During the counting of the ballots the following articles were taken up and acted on :

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

The following named persons were elected to fill the offices set against their respective names :

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Daniel B. White.	Joseph T. Leahy.
Charles D. Hill.	Royal T. Mann.
Eugene Thayer.	Charles F. Bean.

POUND KEEPER.

*George R. Weaver.

FIELD DRIVERS.

John A. Sullivan.

John E. Clark.

James H. Wales.

Frank Dolan.

*Frank D. McCarty.

Timothy O'Leary.

Article 13. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Voted, unanimously, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Randolph in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to not more than thirty-eight thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum; all debts incurred under this vote by the town shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or refund any or all notes of the town now outstand-

*Oath of office taken.

ing, that may be now due or on demand or that may become due during the present year.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Voted that the Selectmen be so authorized and appointed.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Voted that the Water Commissioners be so authorized and appointed.

Article 34. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

Voted to accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen with the exception of Clarence E. Beal, who, at his own request, was excused.

List of Jurors accepted :

Alden, F. Wayland	Clark, Dexter T.
Arth, Ernst	Casey, Peter
Batchelder, Harland P.	Clark, Hugh
Baker, M. Wales	Clark, S. Melvin
Brennan, William	Cole, Charles H.
Campion, John P.	Corliss, Simon B.

Croak, William A.	Mann, Lucius H.
Curran, John	Mann, Nelson
Dennely, Daniel D.	Mahady, William
Devine, Edward J.	May, John
Donovan, Michael A.	McGaughey, Moses
English, Nicholas	McLaughlin, Patrick H.
Elliott, George A.	Molloy, James
Foster, Joseph H.	Montsie, Frederick W.
French, Fred A.	Niles, Amasa S.
French, Fred M.	Niles, Isaac
Frizzell, William	O'Connell, Michael J.
Forrest, Richard	Palmer, James W.
Gibbons, William	Poole, Marcus M.
Good, William	Porter, Franklin
Holbrook, Columbus	Porter, William
Holbrook, Albert H.	Roberts, William R.
Jones, Rufus	Reynolds, George A.
King, Evander F.	Riley, Thomas
Leach, John	Scanlan, Maurice E.
Leahy, Joseph T.	Snow, Hiram
Lewis, Wellington	Stetson, Francis E.
Libby, H. Frank	Spear, William B.
Long, Frank A.	Taber, Edwin A.
Mann, Edwin M.	Willard, John K.

The committee appointed by the Moderator to consider articles referred under Article 2, and report thereon, is as follows :

John V. Béal.

Charles G. Hathaway.	John K. Willard.
Edward Long.	Charles Doughty.
John E. Boyle.	John H. Field.

The ballots having been counted in open town meeting, declaration of the result was made as follows :

Whole number of ballots 844

FOR TOWN CLERK.

*†Joseph T. Leahy	. 638	Scattering	. . . 2
Blanks	. . .	204	

FOR TOWN TREASURER.

*†Joseph T. Leahy	. 603	Scattering	. . . 1
Blanks	. . .	240	

FOR SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Winthrop B. Atherton,	250	Frank A. Long	. 233
Minot Wales Baker	. 361	*†Patrick H. McLaugh-	
James E. Foley	. 189	lin	. . . 364
*†Peter B. Hand	. 382	*†Charles H. Thayer,	385
Scattering	. . . 1	Blanks	. . . 367

FOR SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

Asa P. French	. . 314	William E. McGerigle,	32
*†John E. McDonald	. 432	Blanks	. . . 66

FOR TRUSTEE STETSON SCHOOL FUND, THREE YEARS.

Asa P. French	. . 320	William E. McGerigle,	31
*†John E. McDonald	. 408	Blanks	. . . 85

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER, THREE YEARS.

James F. Sullivan	. 370	*†Charles A. Wales	. 429
Blanks	. . .	45	

FOR AUDITORS.

*Redmond P. Barrett	. 587	*†Herbert F. French,	581
*†Michael F. Cuning-		Scattering	. . . 1
ham	. . . 562	Blanks	. . . 801

FOR CONSTABLES.

Charles F. Bean . . .	302	Luke Mulligan . . .	251
*† Frank J. Donahoe . . .	589	E. Lawrence Payne . . .	241
*† Thomas Farrell . . .	529	John P. Rooney . . .	268
*† Joseph H. Foster . . .	469	*† Lincoln Stetson . . .	494
*† John Haney . . .	358	*† Michael F. Sullivan, . . .	429
*† E. Forest Knight . . .	414	Scattering . . .	4
Blanks . . .			1,560

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

*† Fred M. French . . .	611	Scattering . . .	2
Blanks . . .			231

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

*† Samuel A. Foster, Jr., . . .	488	*† Frank B. Newton, . . .	432
*† Edwin M. Mann . . .	459	Scattering . . .	2
Blanks . . .			1,151

FOR FISH WARDENS.

*† George W. Hawes . . .	322	*† George F. Taylor, . . .	347
*† John F. McMahon . . .	293	Seth A. Thayer . . .	279
John H. Poole . . .	271	Scattering . . .	1
Blanks . . .			1,019

VOTE ON THE LICENSE QUESTION.

Yes	313	No	437
Blanks			94

The ballots, unused ballots and both check lists were sealed up in open town meeting, and at 6 o'clock P.M. it was Voted to adjourn.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

* Signifies elected. † Oath of office taken.

The meeting adjourned from March 6, 1899, to this date was called to order at 7.30 o'clock P.M. by John T. Flood, Moderator.

The committee on appropriations submitted a printed report of their recommendations, a copy of which was presented to each voter, and action thereon was taken as follows :

Voted, that the report of the committee be accepted.

Article 4. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Under this article a supplementary report of the Town Treasurer was rendered, at the close of which the following resolution was adopted ;

Resolved, that the voters of Randolph express their appreciation of the very clear and exhaustive manner in which the Town Treasurer has explained the financial situation of the town.

Voted, that the reports of the town officers for the year ending December 31, 1898, be accepted.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$11,070 be raised and appropriated as follows :

For teaching	.	.	.	.	.	\$7,200 00
Care of rooms.	.	.	.	.	.	550 00
Fuel	.	.	.	.	.	400 00
Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and gen- eral repairs	.	.	.	.	.	600 00
Books and supplies	.	.	.	.	.	700 00
Shingling	.	.	.	.	.	200 00
						<u>\$9,650 00</u>

Less estimated revenue from dog tax, State	
school tax and Coddington fund	\$780 00
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.	\$8,870 00

And that the sum of \$2,200 be raised and appropriated for Stetson High School; and in addition thereto, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Trustees, for the support of said Stetson High School, the amount of bank tax received by him and arising from the investment known as the Stetson School Fund.

It is also voted that the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized and directed to borrow upon notes of the town of Randolph such sums of money not exceeding three thousand dollars as may be required to pay the expenses incurred for the support of schools, including Stetson High School, from January 1, 1900, to March 1 in said year, and that said notes thus issued shall be a part and be paid from the money raised and appropriated for the support of schools for the year 1900. Total, \$11,070.

Article 6. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$15,350 be raised and appropriated therefor as follows:

Miscellaneous expenses	\$1,800 00
Poor in almshouse	1,800 00
Poor out of almshouse (which includes the \$800 voted at the town meeting of December 16, 1898)	4,600 00
Soldiers' relief	400 00
Soldiers' relief in Randolph and Holbrook	600 00
Military aid	250 00
Town officers	2,500 00
Interest on town debt	2,700 00

Board of Health	\$100 00
Lockup expenses	250 00
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	350 00
Total	<u>\$15,350 00</u>

Also that the interest on the taxes and deposits during the year 1899 be appropriated towards the payment of interest on the town debt. Also that the overlay tax of the current year be appropriated towards meeting any abatement of taxes which may be allowed.

Article 7. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$7,300 be raised and appropriated for the repairs of highways, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen as follows :

General repairs including sidewalks (which includes the \$1,500 voted at the town meeting of December 16, 1898)	\$5,000 00
Paving	500 00
Removing snow	1,300 00
Town note on highway plant payable the present year,	500 00
Total	<u>\$7,300 00</u>

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,120 be raised and appropriated as follows :

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
hours services at fires (estimated)	250 00
insurance and inspection	60 00

For repairs	\$50 00
fires in woodland	100 00
pay of firemen	660 00
Total	<u>\$2,120 00</u>

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Voted, that the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law, to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and contributed to the sinking fund to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan when due.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,300 be raised and appropriated for lighting the streets by electricity in accordance with the written contract made with Charles Doughty and now in force.

Article 15. To see what action the town will take in relation to the notes maturing August 1, 1899.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized and directed to borrow the money for the payment of the town notes maturing August 1, 1899, at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum, and that the town treasury note or notes

approved by a majority of the Selectmen be issued therefor in such manner that \$850 of the amount so borrowed shall become due and payable in one year from the date of borrowing, and \$850 each year thereafter until the whole sum \$8,500 shall become due and paid.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to establish a sinking fund, and contribute money thereto.

Voted, to take no action under this article.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1899-1900, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1899-1900, and that the sum of \$120 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 18. To see what action the town will take with reference to the enlargement or improvement of the present school accommodations, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that a committee of six be appointed by the chair to inquire into the condition and needs of the town in the matter of school accommodations and report at the next annual meeting. The committee appointed: Asa P. French, J. White Belcher, Morrison M. Alden, Edward Long, Arthur Hagney, Rufus A. Thayer.

Article 19. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated for the conveyance of pupils to and from the public schools.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 466 of the Acts of 1898, entitled "An Act relative to the employment of Superintendents of Schools by small towns," and will authorize the School Committee if they deem it expedient to arrange such union,

in accordance with the provisions of said act, as may be most advantageous, subject however to the approval of the State Board of Education, and will raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that action under this Article be postponed for the present year.

Article 21. To see if the town will raise money to make alterations at the almshouse required by the State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Voted, that the sum of \$150 be raised and appropriated therefor, and that the same be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 22. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Voted, that three-fourths of one per cent. be allowed for the collection of taxes.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise money to defray the expense of insuring the "Turner Free Library" building, together with the books, furniture, and fixtures belonging to said library, and also for the repair of said building.

Voted, that the sum of \$812.50 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 24. To see if the town will raise money to improve the highways, by building macadam road, and, determine where the improvement shall be made.

Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to use for macadam road such an amount of the money already raised under Article 7, as in their judgment may be for the best interest of the town, and that no special sum be raised and appropriated therefor during the present year.

Article 25. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, said sum to be apportioned equally among the several physicians, and to be in full for attendance upon all persons under the care of Overseers of the Poor for one year from January 1, 1899. That is to say, each physician resident in the town on the first of March, 1899, shall receive the sum of \$50 for his services provided he makes fifty visits during the year; after that he shall receive no compensation for his services, but shall attend such of the poor as may call upon him for his services; those physicians that make less than fifty visits shall receive pay at the rate of one dollar for each of said visits.

Article 26. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place electric lights on High street, as petitioned for, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that action under this Article be postponed for the present year.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to investigate and report at a future meeting in relation to a fire alarm system. The committee appointed: Daniel J. Brennan, William A. Croak, Henry F. Rooney, John A. Hoyer, H. Frank Libby.

Article 28. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Voted, that the town instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers, or direct officers elected by the town, to enforce all the laws of the Commonwealth, and that the sum of \$500 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Voted, that each person employed by the town shall receive two dollars per day, and that the laborers residing in town and the residents owning teams shall be employed in preference to any others.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1899.

Voted that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a Town Treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Voted that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 35. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

No committee reported.

Voted, that the sum of twenty dollars be paid Mr. Flood for his services as Moderator.

After expressing his thanks, Mr. Flood directed the Town Treasurer to pay that amount to the Quartermaster of Post 110, G.A.R., for its monument fund.

The total appropriations :

For support of schools under Article 5 . . .	\$11,070 00
general town expenses under Article 6 . . .	15,350 00
highways under Article 7	7,300 00
Fire Department under Article 8	2,120 00
Grand Army Post, No. 110, under Article 9, . . .	100 00
contribution to sinking fund under Article 10, . . .	3,000 00
water for hydrants, public buildings, etc., . . .	
under Article 11	2,000 00
street lighting by electricity under Article 12, . . .	3,300 00
insurance on Town Treasurer's bond under . . .	
Article 17	120 00

For transportation of pupils under Article 19 .	\$300 00
alterations at the almshouse under Article 21,	150 00
insurance and repairs of Turner Free Library building under Article 23	812 50
medical attendance under Article 25	300 00
enforcement of laws under Article 28	500 00
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	\$46,422 50
State tax	1,260 00
County tax	2,000 00
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Total	\$49,682 50

At 9.46 o'clock P.M., it was —

Voted, to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

ELECTION WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph, in
said County,*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, to assemble in Stetson Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the seventh day of November next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in to the Selectmen on one ballot their votes, for Governor; for Lieutenant-Governor; for Secretary of the Commonwealth; for Treasurer and Receiver General; for Auditor; for Attorney General; for Councillor for District No. 2; for Senator for the First Nor-

folk District; for a Representative in the General Court for the Seventh Norfolk District; and for a County Commissioner in and for Norfolk County.

The polls for the reception of the ballots aforesaid will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and will remain open for four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof, at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this twenty-third day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,
Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable of Randolph.*

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, assembled at Stetson Hall on Tuesday, November 7, 1899.

The warrant was read by the Chairman of the Selectmen, and at six o'clock A.M. the polls were declared open for the reception of ballots. The following named persons served as election officers:

Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, Ballot Clerks.
Fred M. French, assistant at check list.

William A. Croak and Eugene L. McAuliffe, Deputy Ballot Clerks.

Thomas Farrell and Michael F. Sullivan, officers at gate.

Royal T. Mann, Nelson Mann, Fred L. Belcher, Ezra Holbrook, John K. Willard, William F. Barrett, Franklin W. Hayden, James F. Sullivan, Tellers.

The ballot box was opened four times during the time set for balloting, viz. :

At 8.25 o'clock A.M., the register showing 265 ballots.

At 9.40 o'clock A.M., the register showing 372 ballots.

At 11.13 o'clock A.M., the register showing 477 ballots.

At 12.45 o'clock A.M., the register showing 609 ballots.

Voted, that the polls remain open until 2 o'clock P.M.

Voted, that the polls remain open until 2.30 o'clock P.M.

At half-past two the polls were closed. The presiding officer counted 692 ballots and both check lists showed 692 names checked.

The ballots having been counted in open town meeting, declaration of the result was made as follows :

Whole number of ballots cast, 692.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Albert B. Coats . . .	6	George R. Peare . . .	25
W. Murray Crane . . .	258	Winfield P. Porter . . .	21
Robert Treat Paine, Jr.,	325	Blanks	57

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates . . .	268	Isaac W. Skinner . . .	26
John H. Mack . . .	318	James F. Stevens . . .	21
James H. Roberts . . .	3	Blanks	56

FOR SECRETARY.

Charles H. Bradley	.	27	Frank McDonald	.	42
John B. Lewis, Jr.	.	9	William M. Olin	.	255
Henry Lloyd	.	280	Blanks	.	79

FOR TREASURER.

Edward S. Bradford	.	251	Frederick A. Nagler	.	25
Joseph J. Flynn	.	308	Charles W. White	.	23
Herbert B. Griffin	.	4	Blanks	.	81

FOR AUDITOR.

Elbridge Gerry Brown,	298	Angus McDonald	.	23	
Frank A. Forsstrom	.	29	Franklin A. Palmer	.	3
John W. Kimball	.	247	Blanks	.	92

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Addison W. Barr	.	23	Sidney Perley	.	4
Hosea M. Knowlton	.	257	Walter P. J. Skahan	.	30
John H. Morrison	.	293	Blanks	.	85

FOR COUNCILLOR.

William W. Davis	.	262	Thomas J. A. Johnson,	337
Blanks	.			93

FOR SENATOR.

Robert C. Habberley .	15	B. Herbert Woodsum,	256
Edwin C. Jenney .	343	Blanks . . .	78

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Charles F. King	.	387	Richmond T. Pratt	.	285
Blanks	.			.	20

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Charles C. Sanderson, 336 Edwin D. Wardsworth, 249
Blanks . . . 107

The ballots, unused ballots and both check lists were sealed up in open town meeting, returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and Clerk of Courts, and at 4.30 o'clock P.M. the meeting was dissolved.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

MEETING OF TOWN CLERKS.

RANDOLPH, Mass., Nov. 17, 1899.

We, the undersigned, Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph, comprising Representative District number seven, in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at an election duly held at the respective towns aforesaid on the seventh day of November, 1899, to vote for one Representative, the following votes were given :

	A.	H.	R.	Total
Charles F. King, of Holbrook .	153	214	387	754
Richmond T. Pratt, of Holbrook,	179	232	285	696
Blanks	7	15	20	42
Totals	339	461	692	1492

MORTIMER D. RICHARDSON, *Town Clerk of Avon.*

ZENAS A. FRENCH, *Town Clerk of Holbrook.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk of Randolph.*

APPOINTMENTS RECORDED IN 1899.

Special Police without pay : Thomas J. Kiernan, Frank W. Harris, Leonard Pierce, Albert H. Holbrook, E. Lawrence Payne.

Special Police with pay : John Haney.

Inspectors of Animals and Provisions : Dr. D. F. Kinnier, Lincoln Stetson.

Superintendent of Streets : Stillman B. Woodman.

Superintendents of Almshouse : George R. Weaver, Timothy M. O'Leary.

Field Driver : Adoniram A. Payne.

Registrar of Voters : Otis L. Soule.

Sealer of Weights and Measures : Dexter T. Clark.

Keeper of Lockup : Arthur W. Alden.

Jurors drawn in 1899.—Superior Court, Grand juror : Edward A. Taber. Petit jurors : Edwin M. Mann, William Good, Joseph T. Leahy, Joseph H. Foster, William A. Croak, Michael A. Donovan, William Brennan, Thomas Reilly, John Campion, Fred A. French, Peter Casey, John May, M. Wales Baker, William Mahady, John Leach, William Gibbons.

United States Circuit Court, Grand jurors : Moses McGaughey, Michael J. O'Connell. Petit jurors : Daniel D. Dennehy, William Porter, Nelson Mann, George A. Reynolds, James W. Palmer, Frank A. Long, Dexter T. Clark.

TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1899.

The number of intentions of marriage, marriages, births and deaths recorded during the year 1899 was as follows :

MONTHS.	Intentions of Marriage.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.
January	0	1	8	9
February	2	2	5	10
March	2	1	7	5
April	1	2	8	7
May	0	0	6	7
June	8	9	2	7
July	5	4	6	10
August	3	4	12	10
September	3	1	3	8
October	3	5	6	2
November	6	6	4	5
December	3	2	3	5
Totals	36	37	70	85

Whole number of births recorded	70
Males	36
Females	34
Parents, both native born	37
both foreign born	20
one native, one foreign	13
Whole number of deaths	85
Males	39
Females	46
Under five years of age	19
Between 5 and 10 years	1
10 and 20 years	3
20 and 30 years	5
30 and 40 years	3
40 and 50 years	7
50 and 60 years	5
60 and 70 years	13
70 and 80 years	14
80 and 90 years	13
Over 90 years	2
Whole number of intentions of marriage	36
Whole number of marriages	37
Couples both native born	32
both foreign born	2
one foreign, one native	3

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Jan. 4.	Frank P. Dolan . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Mary A. Buckley . . .	Canton . . .	29
Feb. 16.	Wallace S. Reynolds . .	Randolph . . .	21
	Evona May Morse . . .	Randolph . . .	17
23.	Frank D. McCarty . . .	Randolph . . .	34
	Ida L. Arth . . .	Randolph . . .	22
March 31.	Warren W. Knowles . .	Randolph . . .	31
	Annie E. Forsyth . . .	Randolph . . .	34
April 5.	John F. Burns, Jr. . .	Randolph . . .	23
	Annie M. White . . .	Randolph . . .	26
18.	Harry E. White . . .	Randolph . . .	26
	Effie A. Morrison . . .	Randolph . . .	25
June 7.	Lewis M. Barton . . .	Pittsfield, N.H. . .	33
	Hattie E. Williams . .	Pittsfield, N.H. . .	30
11.	Albert O. Nichols . . .	Plymouth . . .	25
	Mabel L. Thomas . . .	Plymouth . . .	18
12.	John R. Whaley . . .	Hastings on Hudson .	26
	Alice M. Thayer . . .	Randolph . . .	24
20.	William Cole, Jr. . . .	New Bedford . . .	39
	Annie F. Gove . . .	Randolph . . .	32
21.	B. Lewis Clark . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Alice Soule . . .	North Stoughton . .	25
21.	James B. Macfarlane . .	Brockton . . .	24
	Annie M. Buckley . . .	Randolph . . .	25
28.	George S. Hutchinson . .	Brockton . . .	23
	Hattie L. Blanchard . .	Randolph . . .	22

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
June 29.	William H. Pope . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	Alice G. Carroll . . .	Avon . . .	30
29.	Charles E. Kane . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Mary A. Kennedy . . .	Randolph . . .	24
July 5.	Jesse E. Taber . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Mary E. Dushame . . .	Randolph . . .	21
6.	Daniel J. Golden . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	Mary E. Dowling . . .	Boston . . .	31
12.	John E. Boyle . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	Catherine E. Murphy . . .	Boston . . .	27
15.	Frederic M. Phelps . . .	Boston . . .	28
	Jennie A. French . . .	Randolph . . .	30
August 7.	DeWitt Clinton Jordan . . .	Boston . . .	25
	H. Mabel Mann . . .	Randolph . . .	25
8.	Joseph H. Schraut . . .	Randolph . . .	28
	Sarah L. Porter . . .	South Braintree . . .	26
9.	Ernest N. Bullock . . .	Sandwich . . .	26
	Amy H. Wales . . .	Randolph . . .	25
24.	James E. Neary, Jr. . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Lillian F. Pendergrass . . .	Randolph . . .	20
Sept. 28.	Oren H. Crossman . . .	Randolph . . .	55
	Ida E. Hanson . . .	Randolph . . .	41
Oct. 5.	Michael J. O'Connell, Jr. . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Hannah G. McCarthy . . .	Avon . . .	24
10.	William L. Pulson . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Annie G. Nightingale . . .	Randolph . . .	22
18.	Edgar N. Grass . . .	Brooklyn, N.Y. . . .	27
	Jessie May Sloan . . .	Randolph . . .	22
25.	Clarence E. Drake . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	Mabel H. Dushame . . .	Randolph . . .	20
26.	Fred R. Keith . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	Mary E. Reardon . . .	Randolph . . .	27
Nov. 8.	James D. Fox . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Della M. Barnes . . .	South Braintree . . .	24

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Nov.	17.	Frank D. Mahony . . .	Randolph . . . 23
		Emma Thompson . . .	Abington . . . 27
	19.	Patrick O'Brien . . .	Randolph . . . 39
		Bridget Green . . .	Boston . . . 29
	29.	John T. Moore . . .	Randolph . . . 29
		Mary A. Thoms . . .	East Weymouth . . . 19
	29.	Charles M. Goeres . . .	Randolph . . . 27
		Mary E. Crowley . . .	Holbrook . . . 25
	30.	William H. Baxter . . .	Avon . . . 30
		Alice E. Morgan . . .	Randolph . . . 29
Dec.	27.	Charles F. Kimball, Jr. . .	Avon . . . 25
		Addie L. Wilbur . . .	Randolph . . . 24
	27.	Henry E. Cottle . . .	Randolph . . . 26
		Ella L. Chase . . .	Randolph . . . 25

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1898.			
Sept. 6.	John F. Hamilton . . .	M.	John A. and Susan—Killelea
Oct. 20.	Mildred McAuliffe . . .	F.	Richard J. and Katherine—Dempsey
1899.			
Jan. 2.	Thomas Lyons . . .	M.	Timothy and Abby R.—Hamilton
10.	Edward Leo Roddan . . .	M.	John T. and Ellen M.—Sullivan
12.	Mildred Alice Thompson . . .	F.	Percy E. and Edith—Ruggles
14.	George E. Beane . . .	M.	Evert O. and Maud E.—Joslyn
15.	Frederick Dee . . .	M.	Thomas J. and Elizabeth—Simms
22.	James Donovan . . .	M.	Joseph M. and Catherine E.—Gibbons
27.	Gideon Roleau . . .	M.	Esdras and Diana—Pomerleau
31.	Alice C. Desmond . . .	F.	Jeremiah J. and Maria L.—Whitty
Feb. 2.	Charles J. Cunningham . . .	M.	William and Catherine J.—Barry
12.	Marion L. Leavitt . . .	F.	William H. and Jennie F.—White
13.	Raymond E. Carroll . . .	M.	Thomas E. and Sarah—Meenan
13.	Charles Meaney . . .	M.	James H. and Elizabeth J.—McKay
28.	Anne Margaret Sullivan . . .	F.	John J. and Mary E.—Dempsey
Mar. 5.	James Albert McCauley . . .	M.	Alexander and Mary J.—McCauley
5.	Charles O. Smith . . .	M.	Charles W. and Angie—Ellis
10.	Ella Marion Perkins . . .	F.	Thomas H. and Jennie M.—Otis
17.	Jennie Augusta Schultz . . .	F.	Henry F. and S. Jennie—Roberts
20.	Margaret Foley . . .	F.	James and Mary A.—O'Brien
22.	Margaret McAuliffe . . .	F.	Robt. T. and Margaret T.—McGaughey
30.	Edward Mullins . . .	M.	Patrick H. and Mary E.—Boyle
April 1.	Gertrude McDermott . . .	F.	Joseph F., Jr., and Julia E.—Linnehan
4.	Walter Good . . .	M.	David J. and Mary A.—Dunn
7.	Bertie Oren Hollis . . .	M.	I. Bertie and Lena—Sloan
20.	Winifred M. Brennan . . .	F.	William P. and Mary—McCue
21.	Charles H. Burrell . . .	M.	Henry G. and Emily F.—Hunt
22.	Charles S. Brown . . .	M.	Charles, Jr., and Susan M.—Waters
23.	Margaret A. Rohlf . . .	F.	August O. and Clara A.—Neumann
25.	Leona M. Hogan . . .	F.	William J. and Helen C.—Allard
May 10.	Arthur Brennan . . .	M.	Daniel J. and Bridget M.—Rooney
15.	James Rooney . . .	M.	John P. and Mary—Dwyer
18.	Herbert Keith . . .	M.	Richard F. and Susan A.—Dench
21.	Carlton B. Lyons . . .	M.	C. Fred and Mary L.—Belcher
23.	Hazel May Eddy . . .	F.	Eli and Ella—Bridge
31.	James F. Dillon . . .	M.	John and Katharine M.—Galvin
June 8.	Walter Carney . . .	M.	William F. and Katherine M.—Mullins
17.	— Illegitimate. . .	F.	
July 3.	Alice Tierney . . .	F.	Michael and Katharine—Tobin
6.	John Gill . . .	M.	John F. and Julia—Mulligan
17.	— Stillborn. . .	M.	
18.	Marion C. Williams . . .	F.	Arthur L. and Annie—Killelea

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July 22.	Leo Pomeroy . . .	M.	Marshall and Jennie—Pero
28.	Nathan A. Burgess . . .	M.	Nathan and Mary A.—Lagan
Aug. 4.	John F. Bustard . . .	M.	John W. and Henrietta—Morton
7.	Judith MacMillan Crawford	F.	John J. and Ellen J.—Turner
10.	— Stillborn.	M.	
11.	— Illegitimate.	F.	
20.	— Illegitimate.	M.	
21.	Daniel D. Donnelly . . .	M.	Peter C. and Catharine—O'Neil
23.	Walter O'Leary . . .	M.	Timothy M. and Margaret L.—Scanlon
25.	Letitia F. Scannell . . .	F.	Dennis N. and Mary A.—Fahey
26.	Luke Mulligan, Jr. . . .	M.	Luke and Bridget A.—Harty
28.	Adelaide Murphy . . .	F.	Patrick J. and Delia M.—O'Connell
29.	Davietta Grover . . .	F.	Frank R. and Davietta—Wood
30.	Winifred Bright . . .	F.	George H. and Jane—Roberts
Sept. 4.	Harry Alden Paine . . .	M.	Elmer B. and Abby T.—Alden
7.	George H. Fierro . . .	M.	John and Consilia—DeMores
20.	Arthur Doyon . . .	M.	Omer and Marie—Moran
Oct. 1.	Grace L. Libby . . .	F.	H. Frank and Ella—Edwards
6.	Lucy Mildred Dolan . . .	F.	Edward J. and Julia F.—Walsh
6.	Walter F. Kelliher . . .	M.	Dennis and Rose H.—Reilly
6.	Gertrude McCarthy . . .	F.	Jeremiah J. and Mary—McCarthy
13.	Mildred J. Meaney . . .	F.	Patrick H. and Eliza J.—Flaherty
25.	Sarah Patten . . .	F.	Thomas F. and Sarah T.—Devine
Nov. 5.	Ida Greenberg . . .	F.	Samuel and Lena—Maluck
5.	Eva May Quackenbush . . .	F.	William H. and Etta L.—Judge
8.	Grace Robinson . . .	F.	Walter H. and Annie—Haslar
17.	Mary E. Collins . . .	F.	Michael J. and Katherine M.—Donegan
Dec. 15.	George E. Manning . . .	M.	John T. and Lizzie M.—Green
23.	Mary C. Truelson . . .	F.	Charles and Katharine—McCartin
29.	Mary Purcell . . .	F.	Bernard F. and Annie E.—Pierce

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1899.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Jan. 2.	Timothy W. Manning,	53	1		Softening of brain .	Ireland
3.	Margaret T. McMahon	65			Cerebral hemorrhage,	Ireland
4.	Bartholomew O'Mahoney,	53	9		Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
4.	Abbie Roddan . . .	67			Apoplexy . . .	Ireland
12.	James F. Carroll . .	23	2	26	Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
24.	Alice C. Donahoe . .	15	4	29	Typhoid pneumonia .	Randolph
27.	Harriet S. Winship . .	65	7		Epidemic influenza .	Pembroke, N.H.
28.	Mary Gallagher . . .	2	15		Epidemic influenza .	Randolph
29.	Annie A. Flynn . . .	23	6	17	Phthisis . . .	Randolph
Feb. 1.	Henry Kiley . . .	47	10	3	Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
7.	Jane H. Chessman . .	73	11	23	Softening of brain .	W. Bridgewater
13.	Frederick T. Wright .	53	3	7	Consumption . . .	Cambridge
13.	Elizabeth Green . . .	80			Morbus cordis . . .	Ireland
14.	David Cunningham .	40	7	9	Heart disease . . .	Chelsea
15.	Mary A. Hamilton . .	74	7	28	La grippe . . .	Boston
16.	Abbie A. Leach . . .	43	1		Cancer . . .	Randolph
18.	Martha F. Tirrell . .	64	11	27	Softening of brain .	North Easton
19.	Lydia T. Whalin . . .	70	1		Pneumonia . . .	Boston
22.	Persis H. Burbank . .	89	5	9	Old age . . .	Middleboro
Mar. 5.	Isabelle Lyons . . .	76			Heart disease . . .	Ireland
16.	Sarah A. Tracy . . .	60		8	Congestive pneumonia	Randolph
16.	Rev. Joseph C. Foster,	80	11	5	Heart disease . . .	Milford, N.H.
20.	Richard Adams . . .	83			Angina pectoris . .	Farmington, Me.
23.	Mary Clark . . .	70	10		Pneumonia . . .	Ireland
April 2.	Manus Gallagher . .	60			Cancer . . .	Ireland
9.	John B. Thayer . . .	75		16	Mollities cerebri . .	Randolph
12.	Charles P. Reviere . .	4	15		Bronchitis . . .	South Braintree
14.	Maria D. Stevens . .	83		20	Pneumonia . . .	Stoughton
16.	Mary McGinness . . .		1		Infantile . . .	South Braintree
25.	James H. O'Brien . .	39			Pneumonia . . .	Randolph
27.	Lorenzo E. Wilbur . .	62	5	20	Angina pectoris . .	Randolph
May 7.	Mary Alice McMahon,	23			Cerebral meningitis .	Randolph
13.	Louis E. Marceille . .	2	11	25	Membranous croup .	Randolph
19.	James A. Riley . . .	44	8	3	Bright's disease . .	New Bedford
21.	Frances O. Howard . .	50	1	25	Heart disease . . .	West Roxbury
26.	John Devine . . .	69			Consumption . . .	Ireland
29.	Frank Jaquith . . .	66	1	1	Cal. degen. of arteries,	Vassalboro, Me.
31.	Gertrude F. Dee . . .	11	4	28	Consumption . . .	Randolph
June 2.	Olive Ann Baxter . .	60	6		Heart disease . . .	Randolph
12.	Robert Agnew . . .	69			Heart disease . . .	Albany, N.Y.
12.	Ebenezer Moulton . .	85	9	5	Senility . . .	Danvers
15.	Ruth E. Libby . . .	1	9	3	Convuls, peritonitis,	Randolph
15.	Lura F. Adams . . .	76	4	23	Senility . . .	

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
June 17.	Marjorie Maclean .	5		28	Tubercular peritonitis,	Natick
28.	J. Anna Sullivan .	41			Phthisis pulmonalis .	Randolph
July 1.	Ellen T. Fox .	53	9	22	Heart disease .	Ireland
4.	Helen Frances Foley,	21		3	Heart disease .	Randolph
8.	Savina O. G. Fierro .	3	9	4	Inflammation of bowels	New York
11.	Polly Delano .	74		26	Dysentery .	Randolph
15.	Mary Foley .	83			Senility .	Ireland
18.	— Stillborn.					Randolph
20.	James Rooney .	2			Meningitis .	Randolph
21.	Leo Francis Manning,	8	7		Marasmus .	Randolph
26.	Mildred A. Thompson,	6	14		Cholera infantum .	Randolph
29.	Bridget Molloy .	70	5	17	Heart disease .	Ireland
Aug. 3.	Eugene Foster .		9	22	Cholera infantum .	Randolph
6.	Thomas Moran .	80			Epithelioma .	Ireland
7.	Peter Sheridan .	84			Cerebral hemorrhage,	Ireland
8.	Harold V. Mahady .		6	23	Cholera infantum .	Brockton
	— Stillborn .					Randolph
10.	George L. Clay, Jr. .	11	21		Cholera infantum .	Waterville, Me.
12.	James Doherty .	47			Tuberculosis .	Ireland
21.	Elizabeth B. White .	81	8	7	Intercostal neuralgia .	Holbrook
26.	Luke Mulligan .		1		Asphyxia .	Randolph
30.	Evelyn McCue .	1	19		Bronchitis .	Randolph
Sept. 4.	Jessie Maclean .		4	8	Marasmus .	Cambridgeport
7.	Harry A. Paine .			3	Infantile .	Randolph
9.	Susan H. Wilbur .	75	11	7	Apoplexy .	Randolph
10.	Benjamin F. Coolbroth	26	11	19	Fracture of skull .	Charlestown
12.	Wilhelmina Dinter .	75	4	9	Congestion of brain .	Prussia
13.	Herbert Keith .		3	24	Marasmus .	Randolph
27.	Bridget Crone .	77			Dysentery .	Ireland
27.	Almira Howard .	81	10	7	General debility .	New York
Oct. 7.	Alice C. Wallace .	30			Typhoid pneumonia .	Randolph
21.	Charles Hayden .	94	1	11	Chronic gastritis .	Braintree
Nov. 5.	Caswell G. Poole .	81	1	3	Old age .	Braintree
12.	Royal Abbott .	61		5	Heart disease .	Randolph
19.	Eliza S. Lincoln .	76	5	11	Inanition .	Randolph
25.	George A. McAuliffe,	16			Acute phthisis .	Randolph
29.	Lovina A. Poole .	86	10	23	Old age .	Braintree
Dec. 11.	Mary S. Cahill .	38		3	Pulmon'y tuberculosis	Randolph
14.	Patrick S. Mullins .	71	11	2	Pleuro-pneumonia .	Ireland
21.	Mary D. Field .	96	5	8	Old age .	Saco, Me.
22.	B. Loxley Clark .	49	9		Bright's disease .	Randolph
25.	Franklin Porter .	63	2	11	Angina pectoris .	Braintree

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Congestion of brain, general debility, gastritis, croup, calcareous degeneration of arteries, inflammation of bowels, intercostal neuralgia, asphyxia, fracture of skull, one each.

Bronchitis, meningitis, Bright's disease peritonitis, dysentery, stillborn, tuberculosis, apoplexy, cerebral hemorrhage, infantile, two each.

Marasmus, la grippe, cancer, three each.

Cholera infantum, softening of brain, four each.

Phthisis, old age, eight each.

Pneumonia, nine.

Heart disease, fourteen.

Total, 85.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall in said town, on Monday the fifth day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To choose a Tree Warden.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to amend the vote passed February 26, 1891, which designated the town officers to be placed upon the official ballot, so as to include the office of "Tree Warden."

Article 6. To hear the report of the town officers, and act thereon.

Article 7. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed

necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 8. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 9. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 11. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 12. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G.A.R.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Article 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Article 16. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 17. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Article 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to the note maturing June 2, 1900.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to pay for the in-

surance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1900-1901, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 20. To see what action the town will take with reference to the enlargement or improvement of the present school accommodations, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 21. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 466 of the Acts of 1898, entitled, "An act relative to the employment of Superintendents of Schools by small towns," and will authorize the School Committee, if they deem it expedient, to arrange such union, in accordance with the provisions of said act, as may be most advantageous, subject, however, to the approval of the State Board of Education, and will raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 23. To see if the town will raise money for repairs on the almshouse and barn.

Article 24. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 25. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 26. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 27. To see what action the town will take in regard to the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 28. To see what action the town will take in relation to Chapter 344 of the Public Statutes, Acts of 1899, entitled, "An act to make eight hours a day's work for city and town employees."

" Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

" Section 1. Eight hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics now employed, or who may hereafter be employed, by or on behalf of any city or town in this Commonwealth.

" Section 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

" Section 3. This act shall not take effect in any city or town until accepted by a majority of the voters voting thereon at an annual election. Such vote shall be taken by ballot. When so accepted this act shall take effect from the date of such acceptance."

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1900.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or

in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 34. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 35. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this fifth day of February A.D. nineteen hundred.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER.

Selectmen of Randolph.



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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1900-1901.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PETER B. HAND. PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. CHARLES H. THAYER.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

MICHAEL A. DONAVAN Term expires 1901.
JOHN E. McDONALD Term expires 1902.
ROYAL T. MANN Term expires 1903.

TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

MICHAEL A. DONAVAN Term expires 1901.
JOHN E. McDONALD Term expires 1902.
ROYAL T. MANN Term expires 1902.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

PETER B. HAND Term expires 1901.
CHARLES A. WALES Term expires 1902.
JAMES F. SULLIVAN Term expires 1903.

AUDITORS.

JOHN K. WILLARD. MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.
REDMOND P. BARRETT.

CONSTABLES.

THOMAS FARRELL. LINCOLN STETSON. JOSEPH H. FOSTER.
FRANK W. HARRIS. MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN. JOHN HANEY.
FRANK J. DONAHOE.

TAX COLLECTOR.

FRED M. FRENCH.

FENCE VIEWERS.

WILLIAM PORTER. EDWIN M. MANN.
STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY. HERBERT W. PRATT. OTIS L. SOULE.
JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, *Chief*. WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Clerk*.
JAMES E. BLANCHE. DANIEL J. BRENNAN. JAMES W. FARRELL.
SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE. SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.
TIMOTHY M. O'LEARY. STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

ARTHUR W. ALDEN.

REPRESENTATIVE OF GENERAL COURT.

JOHN J. COLLINS, of Avon.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Selectmen and Assessors herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1900.

The seventeenth day of November, 1900, our respected Chairman, Peter B. Hand, suddenly, and without warning, passed away.

In his death this Board suffers the loss of the services of a capable public official, and the community mourn the death of an honest and upright citizen.

VALUATION.

	1899.	1900.	
Real estate,	\$1,631,100	\$1,650,550	\$19,450 Gain
Personal estate,	259,750	253,900	5,850 Loss
	<u>\$1,890,850</u>	<u>\$1,904,450</u>	<u>\$13,600 Gain</u>

Tax rate, \$19.00 on \$1,000.

Town appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$41,627 36
State tax	.	.	.	.	.	1,260 00
County tax	.	.	.	.	.	2,062 50
						<u>\$44,949 86</u>

Number of polls, 1,154 =	.	.	\$2,308
Estimated bank tax	.	.	1,770
Estimated corporation tax	.	.	4,729
			<u>8,807 00</u>

Amount to be raised on property . . \$36,142 86

Tax on :

Real estate	\$1,650,550 =	\$31,360 45
Personal estate	253,900 =	4,824 10
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	\$1,904,450	\$36,184 55
Amount required		36,142 86
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Overlay		\$41 69

Tax warrant :

State tax	\$1,260 00
County tax	2,062 50
Town tax and overlay	35,170 05
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	\$38,492 45

Population, census of 1900	4,000
Number of horses, May 1, 1900	314
cows, May 1, 1900	203
swine, May 1, 1900	554
fowls, May 1, 1900	1,560
Neat cattle other than cows	2
Number of dwelling houses	858
Number of acres of land	5,514

APPROPRIATIONS TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION,
1900.

For Schools	\$9,100 00
schools, Stetson High	2,200 00
miscellaneous	1,700 00
poor in almshouse	1,800 00
poor out of almshouse	4,000 00
soldiers' relief	400 00

For soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook .	\$600 00
military aid	250 00
town officers	2,400 00
interest on town debt	2,250 00
Board of Health	100 00
lockup	250 00
births, marriages, deaths and court fees .	250 00
town note, highway plant	500 00
town note	850 00
highways	3,000 00
Fire Department	2,468 00
decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
sinking fund, water loan	2,500 00
water for hydrants, etc.	2,000 00
street lighting	3,300 00
insurance, Treasurer's bond	120 00
repairs at almshouse	250 00
pay of physicians	300 00
special police	500 00
Turner Library	439 36
County tax	2,062 50
State tax	1,260 00
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	\$44,949 86

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY
THE TOWN DECEMBER 30, 1900.

Almshouse property and farm	\$12,000 00
Town Hall and land	18,000 00
Two steam fire engines and apparatus .	8,500 00
Three engine houses and lockup	4,200 00
One hearse	50 00
Ten acres of salt marsh	300 00

Land and building, Clark estate	\$2,000 00
Highway plant	5,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 1	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 2	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 3	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 4	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 5	1,200 00
Schoolhouse and land, District No. 6	1,600 00
Prescott schoolhouse and land	15,000 00
Turner school fund	1,500 00
Stetson school fund	11,900 00
Turner Free Library building and land	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund	5,000 00
Turner fund	10,000 00
Turner Free Library	5,000 00
Royal W. Turner free library fund	20,000 00
Water works	162,000 00
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	\$338,800 00

EXPENDITURES, 1900.

The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer amounting to \$55,104.47.

On account of—

Schools	\$10,332 44
Stetson High School	2,337 85
Highways	5,814 61
Removing snow	196 54
Miscellaneous	1,805, 80
Town Officers	2,253 33
Interest on town debt	3,360 63
Electric lighting	3,104 60
Special police	578 00

Board of Health	\$94 50
Lockup	192 73
Insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00
Water for hydrants	2,000 00
Water Loan Sinking Fund	2,500 00
Fire Department	2,569 42
Fire alarm system	1,991 04
State aid	2,722 00
Military aid	630 00
Almshouse	2,293 65
Almshouse special repairs	203 17
Poor out of almshouse	4,334 05
Pay of physicians	300 00
Poor of Randolph and Holbrook	891 78
Burial of indigent soldiers	140 00
Soldiers' relief	282 38
Poor of other towns	261 86
Abatement of taxes	185 96
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	183 06
Truant school	2 57
County tax	2,062 50
State tax	1,260 00
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	\$55,104 47

RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For Schools	\$9,833 97	\$10,332 44
Stetson High School	2,200 00	2,337 85
Miscellaneous	1,700 00	1,805 80
Poor in almshouse	1,800 00	2,293 65
Poor out of almshouse	4,000 00	4,334 05
Poor of other towns		261 86
Soldiers' relief	400 00	282 38

For Soldiers' relief, Randolph and

Holbrook	\$600 00	\$891 78
Military aid	250 00	630 00
Town Officers	2,400 00	2,253 32
Interest on town debt	3,368 00	3,360 63
Board of Health	100 00	94 50
Lockup	250 00	192 73
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	320 49	183 06
Highway plant	500 00	500 00
Town note	850 00	850 00
Highways and removing snow	4,997 22	6,011 15
Fire Department	2,468 00	2,569 42
Fire alarm system	2,000 00	1,991 04
Decoration of soldiers' graves	100 00	100 00
Sinking fund, " Water Loan "	2,500 00	2,500 00
Water for hydrants	2,000 00	2,000 00
Street lighting	3,300 00	3,104 60
Insurance on Treasurer's bond	120 00	120 00
Special repairs at almshouse	250 00	203 17
Pay of physicians	300 00	300 00
Special police	500 00	578 00
Turner Free Library	439 36	
Burial of indigent soldiers		140 00
Truant school		2 57
Abatement of taxes		185 96
State aid		2,722 00
County tax	2,062 50	2,062 50
State tax	1,260 00	1,260 00
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	\$50,869 54	\$56,454 47
Amount of expenditures		\$56,454 47
Amount of appropriations		50,869 54
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Amount overdrawn		\$5,584 93

Overdrawn on account of:

Schools	\$498 47	
Stetson High School	137 85	
Miscellaneous	105 80	
Poor in almshouse	493 65	
Poor out of almshouse	334 05	
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	291 78	
Poor of other towns	261 86	
Military aid	380 00	
Highways and removing snow	1,013 93	
Fire Department	101 42	
Special police	73 00	
Truant School	2 57	
Abatement of taxes	185 96	
Burial of indigent soldiers	140 00	
State aid	2,722 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,747 34

Unexpended on account of:

Soldiers' relief	\$117 62	
Town Officers	146 67	
Interest on town debt	7 37	
Board of Health	5 50	
Lockup	57 27	
Births, deaths, marriages and court fees	137 43	
Fire alarm system	8 96	
Electric lighting	195 40	
Special repairs at almshouse	46 83	
Turner Free Library	439 36	
	<hr/>	\$1,162 41
Amount overdrawn		<hr/> \$5,584 93

Refunded and to be refunded on account of:

Poor in almshouse . . .	\$905 20	
Poor out of almshouse . . .	179 19	
Soldiers' relief by Holbrook . . .	297 26	
State aid by the State . . .	2,722 00	
Military aid by the State . . .	315 00	
Military aid by Holbrook . . .	65 00	
Burial of indigent soldiers . . .	140 00	
Poor of other towns . . .	261 86	
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Net amount overdrawn		<hr/> \$699 42

HIGHWAYS.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Selectmen:

Following the usual custom, the work upon the highways began with the scraping of the gutters in the early spring, after which portions of the roads most in need of repairs and which could not be macadamized at the time were surfaced with gravel. Mill street was gravelled from the residence of Augustus Forrest to the hollow near the residence of Michael Crowley, 2501 oads beings pread thereon. Fifty loads were spread on North Main street near the residence of Joshua Hunt, and sixty-five loads were spread in various places on High street. The severe rains of the early spring were the cause of unusual repairs on drains and culverts, some of which have been made at heavy cost but which are of a permanent character, and will prove to be the most economical in the end. Wherever it could be done, ten-inch and twelve-inch drain pipe has been substituted for the old stone culverts, which were continually being choked with

sand, and the principal places where such changes have been made are as follows: on South Main street near the shoe factory 104 feet, on Union street 42 feet, on Orchard street at the cemetery 50 feet, on North Main street in various places 200 feet, on West street 300 feet, and on Canton street 40 feet. A new board fence has been erected on North street across the entire strip of lowland of Lincoln Stetson, a distance of 640 feet. Work of macadamizing was begun on North Main street at the west corner, from the residence of C. H. Hendrick to near the fountain, except 200 feet which was macadamized two years ago. The work done this year comprises a strip 12,731 feet in length and 16 feet in width. Also on Main street, from Allen to Short street, the entire portion of the street on the easterly side of the railway track was macadamized, the strip being 2900 feet long and averaging $12\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide. Macadam was laid on School street over a surface 360 feet long and 18 feet wide, and on North street, the entire hill lying between Cottage and Pleasant streets was macadamized from gutter to gutter, the strip laid being 960 feet long and 30 feet wide. Portions of streets have been patched with inch stone wherever convenient, and a large portion of the screenings have been used to repair sidewalks. There have been used in all 2430 tons of crushed stone, and almost 100 tons still remain in the pit ready for immediate use. There was also used in macadamizing 350 loads of binding gravel. Following the plan which has been found to work successfully, there has been spread upon the two-inch stone only a thin layer of one-inch material, a coarse binding gravel being substituted for a heavy coating of the latter; and the gravel being wet and rolled in and surfaced with screenings, has made a more compact and less expensive road than in former years. The system of macadam road building and repairing is now far enough advanced to require the constant use in

dry weather of a street sprinkler, which is necessary to prevent the dust on the surface blowing away, leaving the stone beneath exposed to be torn up by passing vehicles. The sprinkler in present use is too old and too small to answer our purposes, and I would recommend the purchase of a sprinkler better adapted to our needs. I would also recommend the purchase of a platform scales for the weighing of stone, which under our present system is unsatisfactory.

S. B. WOODMAN,
Superintendent.

Paid S. B. Woodman, Superintendent and team,	\$545 34
William Mahady, stone	45 73
William Mahady, labor and team . .	168 35
James Carroll, stone	130 34
John Meaney, stone	11 24
John Meaney, labor and team . . .	21 00
James Devine, stone	64 16
James Devine, labor and team . . .	21 33
Thomas Devine, stone	44 24
Thomas Devine, labor	2 17
William Devine, stone	55 18
James M. Jones, labor	155 70
Thomas Duff, labor	266 43
William Porter, stone	38 98
Marshall Varney, stone	7 00
Seth Mann, 2d, stone	14 70
Seth Mann, 2d, gravel	1 10
Frank Mann, stone	58 84
Frank Mann, labor and team . . .	15 75
Leon Mann, stone	43 50
Leon Mann, labor	7 00
William F. Reynolds, stone . . .	13 38
James M. Dyer, stone	30 55

Paid Martin Holbrook, stone	\$18 38
Martin Holbrook, labor	7 94
William Good, stone	24 50
William Good, labor	9 92
John R. Anderson, stone	4 43
James Riley, stone	16 89
James Riley, labor	26 49
Charles Doonan, stone	3 55
Charles Doonan, gravel	22 10
Charles Doonan, labor	39 00
J. McCarty, stone	15 05
W. Robinson, stone	8 49
W. Robinson, labor	273 88
James Barry, labor	137 03
R. A. Thayer, gravel	40
Town teams, labor	437 19
George M. Johnson, labor	264 83
Henry Campbell, labor	2 00
M. E. Leahy & Co., labor	268 30
James O'Brien, labor	219 00
F. H. Langley, labor and materials . .	87 02
W. C. Barry, labor	181 00
John Sheehan, labor	227 62
M. Crowley, labor	23 00
Albert Perry, labor	21 50
P. R. McLeod, labor	138 92
William Deer, labor	25 00
Time book	25
F. A. Boyd & Co., labor	3 76
John T. Manning, labor	119 50
Thomas Whalen, labor	53 50
William Carroll, stone	10 87
William Carroll, labor	17 50
Charles Trualson, stone	13 05

Paid Arthur H. Holbrook, stone	.	.	.	\$10 07
Charles Perry, labor	.	.	.	9 18
D. Hand, labor	.	.	.	13 00
F. G. Winnett, labor	.	.	.	13 00
James Slowey, labor	.	.	.	33 50
Thomas Donahoe, labor	.	.	.	13 00
John Harris, labor	.	.	.	31 63
John Dunn, labor	.	.	.	108 50
W. F. Shepard, labor	.	.	.	10 00
M. Lagan, labor	.	.	.	10 00
M. Scanlon, labor	.	.	.	22 53
J. C. Marcellus, labor	.	.	.	2 00
N. Linnihan, labor	.	.	.	94 88
Sumner Thayer, labor	.	.	.	8 00
P. Mahoney, labor	.	.	.	52 50
P. Pierce, labor	.	.	.	33 75
W. Brennan, labor	.	.	.	30 00
George F. French, labor	.	.	.	37 75
Henry Nichols, labor	.	.	.	29 75
George A. Lovejoy, labor	.	.	.	12 00
William Dorr, labor	.	.	.	10 50
Thomas Kiley, labor	.	.	.	13 75
J. Thompson, labor	.	.	.	2 00
C. D. Hill, supplies	.	.	.	8 58
M. J. McGaughy, labor	.	.	.	5 75
Waldo Brothers, supplies	.	.	.	152 90
Taunton Lumber Co., lumber	.	.	.	26 17
Robert McAuliffe, labor	.	.	.	21 00
Edward Tabor, labor	.	.	.	17 50
Edward Tabor, posts	.	.	.	13 60
William Gill, labor	.	.	.	32 00
H. B. Libby, labor	.	.	.	18 75
Randolph Water Works	.	.	.	2 20
C. H. Cole, stone	.	.	.	2 80

Paid C. H. Cole, labor	\$41 13
Albert Johnson, labor	9 13
E. J. T. Dexter, labor	6 38
F. W. Hayden & Co., supplies	16 55
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., freight	25 59
Thomas Kenney, gravel	3 90
C. A. Wales, gravel	8 10
Joshua Hunt, gravel.	5 00
H. C. Frederick, gravel	1 10
E. W. Campagna, labor	12 71
William A. Abbott, labor	41 25
Iron pipe and fittings	1 00
A. B. Black, agent, supplies for crusher	130 00
Brick and cement	1 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	4 30
Lockwood Mfg. Co., supplies	3 50
C. F. Bates & Co., supplies	3 92
P. Madigan, labor	12 00
Erie City Iron Works	11 15
R. McLennan, labor	50
S. A. Thayer, supplies	13 12
D. J. Sullivan, labor	12 00
Mary Gogan	3 75
Charles Morse, labor	21 25
Oil	47
M. J. Collins, labor	15 75
Eagle Oil Supply Co.	7 85
Telephone	10
James Fardy, labor	1 60
Harrisburg Machine Co.	8 50
D. B. White, coal	5 60

\$5,814 61

Appropriation for highways and re-	
moving snow	\$3,000 00
Street railway and excise tax	1,997 22
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	\$4,997 22
Expended for highways	\$5,814 61
Removing snow	196 54
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	\$6,011 15
Overdrawn	\$1,013 93

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid William Carroll	\$30 76
S. B. Woodman and others	31 84
William Mahady and others	14 79
Frank E. Stetson and others	36 93
James Devine and others	32 45
Michael J. Collins and others	21 46
James Riley and others	23 31
Richard Irving	5 00
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	\$196 54

Included in appropriation for Highways.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid M. F. Sullivan, police duty, posting war-	
rants, etc.	\$52 50
E. L. Burdakin, copy of transfers	10 00
Otis L. Soule, typewriting	2 00
Charles Doughty, lighting Selectmen's room,	17 28

Paid Edwin M. Mann, wood for Selectmen's room,	\$23 00
Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerk	6 00
Frank H. Jaquith, teller	6 00
Thomas F. Swan, wall paper	6 00
Frank J. Donahoe, police duty	9 50
P. H. McLaughlin, expenses and cash paid,	15 65
State treasury	78
M. R. Warren, stationery	2 10
Cobb, Eastman & Co., chairs for Select-	
men's room	14 00
Wright & Potter Co., printing.	4 50
Thomas O'Callaghan & Co., carpet for Se-	
lectmen's room	41 50
James G. Hurley, painting Selectmen's	
room	22 50
C. Fred Lyons, supplies for Selectmen's	
room	9 89
E. W. Campagna, labor	10 01
G. A. R. Post 110, per order of John T.	
Flood, for services as Moderator	20 00
F. W. Hayden, supplies	4 30
Fred A. French, telephone	1 95
Carter Ink Co.	38
Frank W. Harris, police duty	7 50
Joseph H. Foster	7 50
Dr. D. D. Sullivan	1 00
Thomas Farrell, police duty	5 00
Thomas Allen, labor	1 75
Thomas Groom & Co., tax books	10 10
John V. Beal, professional services	25 00
Peter B. Hand, expenses and cash paid	6 40
A. H. Bartlett, stationery	4 15
J. T. Leahy, insurance	69 00
J. T. Leahy, cash paid	20 00

Paid N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co., ticket	\$0 90
W. A. Croak, ballot clerk	3 00
William F. Kane, teller	3 00
James F. Sullivan, teller	3 00
Charles McCarty, night watch, West street,	36 00
Byam & Co., watering cart	30 00
James D. Sheridan, teller	3 00
Frank A. Long, teller	3 00
Rufus A. Thayer, teller	3 00
Estate of F. Porter, stationery	95
Lyon's Express	19 55
Thorp & Martin Co., stationery	22 50
William P. Sullivan, printing	47 00
Fred M. French, insurance	46 32
Fred M. French, teller	3 00
A. L. Chase, damage to carriage	1 00
Randolph Water Works, labor	10 95
J. White Belcher, insurance	124 09
Dexter T. Clark, teller	3 00
Edward O. Flaherty, ballot clerk	6 00
Eugene L. McAuliffe, ballot clerk	6 00
Henry F. Rooney, police duty	10 00
Daniel H. Huxford, printing reports, war- rants, etc.	463 60
Ezra Holbrook, teller	6 00
G. A. R., rent of hall	4 00
T. J. Mackedon, teller	3 00
Lincoln Stetson, cattle inspector	50 00
Adams, Cushing & Foster, stationery	9 55
D. J. Hand, teller	6 00
W. B. Mason, stamps	6 00
F. H. Tileston, teller	3 00
J. A. Kingsbury, dinners	40 80
Estate of C. H. Belcher, supplies	3 21

Paid Arthur W. Alden, care of Selectmen's room, hall, etc.	\$112 20
F. Hart Alden, teller	3 00
S. A. Foster, teller	3 00
F. A. Boyd & Co., labor	5 95
Walter H. Lyons, teller	6 00
Timothy M. O'Leary, distributing Town Reports	5 00
M. Wales Baker, postage and envelopes	26 82
Nelson Mann, teller	6 00
D. E. Bourbeau, damage to team	20 00
Charles H. Thayer, cash paid	3 50
William F. Barrett, teller	3 00
Fulton Mattress Co.	5 00
Fred L. Belcher, teller	3 00
H. M. Dolbear	1 00
A. J. Gove, carriage hire and expressing	51 79
National Publishing Co.	1 48
John K. Willard, teller	3 00
F. B. Diman, damage to carriage	7 50
Sundries, Selectmen	13 77
Royal T. Mann, teller	6 00
Royal T. Mann, tree warden	101 13
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	\$1,805 80
Appropriation, \$1,700 00	
Overdrawn, 105 80	

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid Peter B. Hand	\$350 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin	350 00
Charles H. Thayer	350 00
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	\$1,050 00

TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy . . .	\$300 00	\$300 00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Michael A. Donovan . . .	\$23 33	
Royal T. Mann . . .	100 00	
John E. McDonald . . .	100 00	
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid James Fardy . . .	\$50 00	
Otis L. Soule . . .	50 00	
Herbert W. Pratt . . .	50 00	
Joseph T. Leahy . . .	75 00	
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AUDITORS.

Paid M. F. Cunningham . . .	\$15 00	
Redmond P. Barrett . . .	15 00	
Herbert F. French . . .	15 00	
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ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Charles A. Wales . . .	\$20 00	
James W. Farrell . . .	20 00	
James E. Blanche . . .	20 00	
D. J. Brennan . . .	20 00	
W. A. Croak . . .	30 00	
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French :		
Collecting taxes 1898 . . .	\$65 00	
Collecting taxes 1899 . . .	65 00	
Collecting taxes 1900 . . .	170 00	
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		\$2,253 33

Appropriation,	\$2,400 00
Unexpended,	146 67

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer	\$3,360 63
Appropriation	\$2250 00
Interest on taxes	800 00
Interest on deposits and premium on notes	318 00
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	\$3,368 00
Appropriation, \$3,368 00	
Unexpended,	7 37

SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid John Haney	\$578 00
Appropriation, \$500 00	
Overdrawn,	78 00

STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Charles Doughty	\$3,104 60
Appropriation, \$3,300 00	
Unexpended,	195 40

RECORDING BIRTHS MARRIAGES AND DEATHS AND COURT FEES.

Paid	\$183 06
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Appropriation	\$250 00
Court fees refunded	70 49
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	\$320 49
Unexpended	137 43

INSURANCE ON TREASURER'S BOND.

Paid C. D. Fullerton	\$120 00
Appropriation, \$120 00	

DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R.	\$100 00
Appropriation, \$100 00	

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Fred M. French, collection on taxes of 1898, \$185 96	
No appropriation.	

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of En-	
gineers of Fire Department)	\$2,569 42
Appropriation, \$2,468 00	
Overdrawn, 101 42	

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Paid Gamewell Fire Alarm Co.	.	.	.	\$1,938 00
Charles Doughty	.	.	.	15 48
D. H. Huxford	.	.	.	12 75
W. A. Croak	.	.	.	22 76
H. L. Averill	.	.	.	2 05
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				\$1,991 04

WATER WORKS.

Paid Water Commissioners for water for hydrants,	\$2,000 00
Water Commissioners for sinking fund	2,500 00
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	\$4,500 00
Appropriation, \$4,500 00	

MILITARY AID (CHAPTER 372, ACTS OF 1899).

Paid sundry persons	\$630 00
One half paid by the State	.	.		\$315 00	
By Holbrook	.	.	.	65 00	
By Randolph	.	.	.	250 00	
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					\$630 00
Appropriation,	\$250 00				
Expended,	250 00				

STATE AID (CHAPTER 374, ACTS OF 1899).

Paid sundry persons	.	.	.	.	\$2,722 00
To be refunded by the State.					
No appropriation.					

STATE TAX.

Paid E. S. Bradford, Treasurer . . .	\$1,260 00
Appropriation, \$1,260 00	

COUNTY TAX.

Paid Charles H. Smith, Treasurer . . .	\$2,062 50
Appropriation, \$2,060 50	

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid Peter B. Hand, services . . .	\$20 00
Patrick H. McLaughlin, services . . .	20 00
Charles H. Thayer, services . . .	20 00
George H. McMahon, bedding destroyed .	15 00
John Dunn	5 00
James Barry	5 00
Dr. J. S. Sullivan	2 00
Ralph Houghton, disinfecting . . .	5 50
Reed, Holliday & Co., disinfectant . .	2 00
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	\$94 50
Appropriation, \$100 00	
Unexpended, 5 50	

LOCKUP.

Paid Arthur W. Alden, salary as keeper . .	\$100 00
Arthur W. Alden, supplies . . .	21 05
Charles Doughty, electric light . . .	24 00
Estate C. H. Belcher, supplies . . .	5 20
D. B. White, coal	34 50

Paid F. W. Hayden, supplies	\$0 50
J. B. McDonald, labor	50
C. Fred Lyons, supplies	3 38
Frank E. Smith, charcoal	3 60
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	\$192 73
Appropriation, \$250 00	
Unexpended, 57 27	

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees Stetson High School . . .	\$2,337 85
Appropriation, \$2,200 00	
Bank tax, 137 85	
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	\$2,337 85
Overdrawn, \$137 85	

SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items see report of School Committee)	\$10,332 44
Appropriation	\$9,100 00
Dog licenses	387 10
State school fund	282 87
Coddington fund	64 00
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	\$9,833 97
Overdrawn	\$498 47

TRUANT SCHOOL.

Paid C. H. Smith, Treasurer, for board of H. P. Abbott	\$2 57
No appropriation.	

BURIAL OF INDIGENT SOLDIERS.

Paid for Charles E. Belcher	\$35 00
Hannah E. Faunce	35 00
Charles V. Clay	35 00
Henry W. Thayer	35 00
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	\$140 00

To be refunded by the State.

No appropriation.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF, WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Elvira Holbrook	\$60 00
John A. Sylvester	17 95
George F. French	4 60
Thomas F. Hand and wife . .	106 00
Lysander Morse	1 25
Albert Howard and wife . .	71 39
Charles H. Balcom and wife . .	136 00
George W. Cook and family . .	157 13
James Mann	20 00
Christiana Sloan	55 00
Lewis Weathee, at Taunton Insane Hos- pital	169 46
Margaret Morrissey, Brockton . .	12 00
Nellie Gear, Haverhill	81 00
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	\$891 78

Paid by Holbrook, \$297 26

Paid by Randolph, 594 52

\$891 78

Appropriation,	\$600 00
Expended,	594 52
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Unexpended,	\$5 48

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Hugh Currie and family	\$27 42
Ellen French	30 50
Abby M. Kling	55 00
Charles H. Abbott at Mass. Hospital for Epileptics	169 46
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	\$282 38

Appropriation, \$400 00
Expended, 282 38
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Unexpended, \$117 62

REPORT OVERSEERS OF POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1900.

The expenditures for outside aid have been somewhat larger than usual the past year owing to the ever increasing calls upon this department for temporary aid.

The almshouse continues under the charge of Timothy M. O'Leary and wife as superintendent and matron, respectively. Everything about the house is in good order, and is pronounced by the "Inspector of Institutions" to be clean, orderly and well kept. It is the most favorable report they have made about the house for the past ten years. The whole number of inmates the past year, 24. Number of weeks, 807 $\frac{4}{7}$. Net expense, \$1,364.43, average cost per inmate, \$1.69+ per week.

Following is the detailed statement of expenditures for aid rendered:

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Timothy M. O'Leary, salary . . .	\$499 92
Timothy M. O'Leary, supplies . . .	53 05
Mrs. Rufus Mann, labor . . .	35 56
James Riley, labor . . .	3 00
F. A. Boyd & Co., labor . . .	4 05
Howard Randall, oil . . .	16 35
J. H. Clark, supplies . . .	17 63
S. A. Foster, Jr., groceries . . .	99 23

Paid John Wallace, provisions	\$22 85
C. D. Hill, groceries	102 49
Maurice E. Scanlon, labor	6 00
James Fardy, labor	44 85
W. D. Hatchfield, labor	19 78
E. G. Furber, dry goods	24 42
N. E. Buck, grain	91 63
P. H. McLaughlin, dry goods	34 64
James B. McDonald, labor	11 33
B. C. Terrell, clothing	21 50
R. J. McAuliffe, provisions	57 74
Walter M. Howard, fish	2 75
Timothy Lyons, manure	44 00
F. W. Hayden & Co., groceries	108 71
R. E. O'Brien, labor	7 47
W. A. Smith, provisions	12 72
E. O. Connor, repairing shoes	6 30
M. E. Leahy & Co., coal	13 57
M. E. Leahy & Co., fertilizer	8 00
M. E. Leahy, & Co., labor	74 95
C. H. Cole, labor	14 00
Lincoln Stetson, milk	46 26
J. E. Linnehan, fish	12 18
Burton Oil Co.	1 50
C. Fred Lyons, groceries	91 61
Robert McLennan	4 60
J. W. Palmer, groceries	76 44
George H. Eddy, provisions	53 70
F. H. Langley, labor	1 13
H. F. Reynolds, groceries	36 51
Frank A. Long, shoes, underwear	31 10
Eugene Thayer, groceries	83 56
James H. Hurley, clothing	9 00
A. J. Towns, ice	28 64

Paid F. D. McCarty, provisions	\$14 68
Jordan, Marsh & Co., beds and bedding .	17 75
William Crossley, papers	6 25
S. A. Thayer, grain	66 85
W. H. Carroll, vegetables	8 20
D. B. White, coal	183 41
Smith Brothers, bread	6 65
McAuliffe & Co., medicine	15 35
Thomas J. Grey & Co., seed	3 95
Estate S. Porter, medicine	5 60
Lyon's Express	10 24
Ralph Houghton, burial of Clark Fairbanks,	20 00
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	\$2,293 65

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Stock on hand December 31, 1899, \$2,093 18	
Salary and supplies 2,293 65	
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	\$4,386 83

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Stock on hand December 31, 1900 . \$2,117 20	
Labor of town teams 443 75	
Sale of produce 137 95	
For board of inmates . \$226 00	
For board of inmates . 97 50	
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	323 50
Net expense 1,364 43	
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	\$4,386 83
Appropriation, \$1,800 00	
Unexpended, 435 57	

PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1900.

Louis Linfield	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	weeks
William Doyle	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Catharine Heney	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Bartholomew Gill	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Clark Fairbanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	39	"
Mabel Fairbanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Aletta Veazie	.	.	.	.	.	.	33 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Timothy Sullivan	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Emory Holbrook	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Elizabeth French	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Adelia French	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Joseph Stickney	.	.	.	.	.	.	52 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Thomas Curran	.	.	.	.	.	.	34 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Jane Farrell	.	.	.	.	.	.	2 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
John O'Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Bartholomew O'Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
Ellen O'Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 $\frac{4}{7}$	"
George O'Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 $\frac{4}{7}$	"
Catharine O'Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	.	35 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Joseph O'Keefe	.	.	.	.	.	.	26 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
Thomas Ward	.	.	.	.	.	.	32 $\frac{5}{7}$	"
Frank Kennedy	.	.	.	.	.	.	9 $\frac{6}{7}$	"
Augustus L. Tirrell	.	.	.	.	.	.	12 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Sundry persons	.	.	.	.	.	.	39 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
							<hr/> 807 $\frac{4}{7}$	

ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Appraisal of stock, furniture, etc., December 31, 1900.

2 horses	\$150 00
1 cow	60 00
2 hogs	30 00
34 fowls	25 00
4 tons hay	60 00
1 road scraper	75 00
1 two horse wagon	20 00
1 farm wagon	30 00
1 carriage	10 00
1 swing drag	30 00
1 mowing machine	35 00
2 gravel screens	8 00
1 two-horse cart	75 00
2 horse carts	100 00
1 pair double harnesses	30 00
2 cart harnesses	25 00
1 two horse-sled	40 00
1 tool chest	5 00
1 hay cutter	5 00
6 draught chains	12 00
1 carriage jack	2 00
1 carriage harness	5 00
1 grind stone	4 00
Baskets	50
1 cultivator	8 00
2 plows	10 00
1 harrow	5 00
Forks, shovels and hoes	12 00
Iron bars and picks	5 00
1 stone roller	5 00

1 wheelbarrow	\$3 00
2 axes	1 00
1 tobacco cutter	1 00
2 scythes and snaths	2 00
1 iron vise	5 00
Bit-stock and bits	3 50
Hand saws and planes	3 00
8 drills	10 00
1 stone hammer	1 50
12 empty barrels	1 20
10 cords wood	60 00
8 tons coal	47 20
15 tons coal	71 35
Vegetables	38 00
2 barrels flour	10 00
1 $\frac{1}{4}$ barrels crackers	10 00
7 pounds butter	2 44
3 pounds lard	36
2 gallons molasses	50
12 gallons vinegar	3 60
25 pounds sugar	1 50
28 pounds tea	11 90
142 quarts preserves	18 00
Spices	3 00
3 pounds tobacco	1 44
Grain and meal	3 50
40 gallons kerosene oil	4 00
1 kerosene barrel	1 00
100 preserve jars	10 00
4 screen doors	3 00
26 window screens	13 00
2 storm windows	1 50
1 boiler	1 35
1 wash tub	75

1 oil stove	\$1 00
2 wood saws and horses	3 00
2 clocks	5 00
2 mirrors	2 00
Crockery ware	40 00
Lamps and lanterns	10 00
25 lamp chimneys	2 50
1 ice chest	35 00
Wooden and tin ware	15 00
1 street lamp	5 00
6 cuspidores	3 00
5 iron bedsteads	17 00
12 iron bedsteads	36 00
4 feather beds	20 00
16 mattresses	48 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel beans	1 36
46 sheets	20 00
29 blankets	29 00
35 pillow cases	10 00
25 bedspreads	20 00
5 comforters	5 00
29 pillows	15 00
47 towels	5 00
7 table cloths	3 50
4 tables	4 00
1 walnut table	3 00
1 extension table	8 00
12 rockers	12 00
2 wool carpets	50 00
44 chairs	12 00
6 brooms and 1 brush	2 75
1 churn	2 00
2 feather dusters	3 00
1 carpet sweeper	2 50

1 clothes wringer	\$5 00
2 coal hods and shovels	2 00
1 fire extinguisher	20 00
200 feet hose	22 00
8 flat irons	3 00
Soap	1 00
1 hospital bed	30 00
8 snow plows	150 00
1 derrick and anchor chains	125 00
1 sleigh	5 00
Robes and blankets	5 00
1 lawn mower	5 00
Cooking range and boiler	50 00
Ladders	6 00
5 reels fence wire	6 00
1 lawn sprinkler	1 50
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	\$2,117 20

POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for William F. Wills, at State Farm	\$146 00
Emma C. Lincoln, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
Mark E. Purcell, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
Timothy Donahoe, at Medfield Insane Asylum	146 00
Thos. Kiley, at Medfield Insane Asylum,	146 00
William R. Farquhar, at Westboro Insane Hospital	169 46
Horace E. Holbrook, at Taunton Insane Hospital	169 46

Paid for James M. Belcher, at Taunton Insane Hospital	\$212 17
Joseph Crosby, at Taunton Insane Hospital	169 46
William McMath, at Danvers Insane Hospital	169 48
Susanna Buckley	60 00
Mrs. David Cunningham and family	140 33
James B. Riley	106 00
Mrs. John C. Welch	11 15
Alletta B. Veazie	50 80
Julia Ainsley and family	166 36
Mrs. Getano Bacigalupo and family	200 11
Mrs. John L. Burke and family	74 88
Charles Linfield	5 45
Mary Morgan	11 15
Mrs. John Treanor	65 45
William Shields	7 15
Elizabeth A. White	12 75
Mrs. Jonathan Hunt	67 63
Mary J. Carroll	104 00
Mary A. Chandler	83 15
Mrs. Charles F. Howard	60 00
Mary E. Smith and family	156 00
Grace M. Hill, at Taunton Insane Hospital	33 89
Lewis Jones and wife	116 50
Thomas Riley, at House of Angel Guardian	100 00
Mrs. Cornelius O'Keefe and family	132 91
Mrs. George E. White and family	118 88
Mrs. Hannah Leahy	68 90
Lucy W. Barrows and daughters	144 17
David J. Foley	1 43

Paid for William Dyer Adams	\$20 75
Mrs. Bridget Kennedy and family, Hol- yoke	78 15
Joseph Nolan	3 90
John T. Manning and family	113 25
Mrs. Hannah McAuliffe and family, at Framingham	148 74
William P. Fox, Milford	1 00
Mrs. C. H. Wood	60 00
Overseers of Poor	10 00
Aid to sundry persons, refunded	33 19
Aid to sundry persons, to be refunded,	146 00
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	\$4,334 05
Aid refunded	33 19
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	\$4,300 86

Appropriation, \$4,000 00

Expended, 4,300 86

Overdrawn, 300 86

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Almira Fowle, Milton	\$115 98
Margaret E. Glover, Quincy	15 75
Timothy Buckley, Quincy	3 00
Frank E. Wilder, Boston	12 73
Olive M. Jones, Braintree	60 00
Bernard Purcell and family, Avon	25 70
Alva Nightingale, Duxbury	20 00
Mrs. Charles L. Hall, Concord	8 70
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	\$261 86

No appropriation.

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

Paid Dr. C. C. Farnham, 50 visits . . .	\$50 00
A. L. Chase, 67 visits . . .	50 00
F. C. Granger, 119 visits . . .	50 00
E. A. Allen, 74 visits . . .	50 00
W. F. Holmes, 126 visits . . .	50 00
Warren M. Babbett, 77 visits . . .	50 00
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	\$300 00
Appropriation, \$300 00	

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIVED BY THE
SELECTMEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

From labor of town teams . . .	\$443 75
sale of produce at almshouse . . .	137 95
board of sundry persons at almshouse . . .	323 50
aid refunded . . .	22 29
miscellaneous items . . .	2 52
Randolph water works . . .	5 25
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	\$935 26

RANDOLPH, February 5, 1901.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find the same correct with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
JOHN K. WILLARD,
R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1901.

Schools (see report of School Committee)	\$10,275 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees)	2,200 00
Town officers	2,500 00
Miscellaneous	1,700 00
Tree warden	150 00
Repairs of highway, including removing snow	3,000 00
Highway plant (note)	500 00
Reduction of town debt	850 00
Reduction of town debt	630 00
Fire alarm (note)	500 00
Poor in almshouse	1,800 00
Poor out of almshouse	4,000 00
Soldiers' relief	400 00
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook	600 00
Military aid	250 00
Electric lighting	3,300 00
Interest on town debt	2,250 00
Treasurer's bond	120 00
Pay of physicians	350 00
Board of Health	100 00
Lockup	250 00
Fire Department (see report of engineers)	2,125 00
Water Works (see report of Commissioners)	4,500 00
Turner Free Library, reappropriation	439 36
Overdrafts, etc.	700 00

\$43,489 36

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.

LIST OF JURORS.

The following is a list of jurors for the consideration of the town at the annual town meeting March 4, 1901 :

Atherton, Winthrop B.	Publisher.
Alden, F. Wayland	Retired.
Arth, Ernst	Cigar manufacturer.
Burke, James	Shoemaker.
Clark, George Melvin	Agent.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Corliss, Simon B.	Retired.
Croak, William A.	Carpenter.
Donovan, Michael A.	Mechanic.
Dodge, Henry	Fisherman.
Eliot, George A.	Laster.
French, Fred M.	Insurance.
Forrest, Richard	Laster.
Good, William	Farmer.
Holbrook, Albert H.	Carpenter.
Jones, Rufus	Farmer.
King, Erander F.	Carpenter.
Leahy, Joseph T.	Insurance.
Libby, H. Frank	Carpenter.
Lovejoy, George A.	Agent.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.
Mann, Lucius H.	Farmer.
Mahady, William	Laborer.

McDonald, Joseph	Contractor.
McLaughlin, Patrick H.	Dry goods dealer.
Montsil, Fred W.	Cigar manufacturer.
Niles, Isaac	Auctioneer.
Poole, Marcus M.	Grocer.
Payne, Charles A.	Machinist.
Pope, David	Retired.
Quinn, Edward	Undertaker.
Reynolds, George A.	Farmer.
Scanlan, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Snow, Hiram	Retired.
Stetson, Francis E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Taber, Edwin A.	Farmer.
Willard, John K.	Tallow dealer.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,

Selectmen.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

In accordance with the requirements of the law, the School Committee hereby make and submit their annual report of the present condition of the public schools.

There has been a good degree of interest on the part of pupils and teachers, and the progress for the year has been very satisfactory.

The Committee are well pleased with the work of the teachers, and believe that good discipline is being maintained in all our schools.

We wish to call the attention of the parents to the seeming lack of interest displayed by many of them in the progress made by their children. We heartily wish that more of the parents and friends would avail themselves of some of the special occasions, such as the last session held before Memorial Day; also the day before the Christmas vacation, if on no other, to visit the schools, and encourage teachers and pupils by such an expression of their interest.

With the exception of one fatal case of diphtheria, which necessitated the closing of the North Grammar School for one week, and a few cases of typhoid fever, there has not been much sickness among the pupils.

The school census taken last September shows that we have 653 children between the ages of five and fifteen years, an increase of 29 from the census of 1899.

At the commencement of the public schools the first of last September, owing to the large number of pupils in the

seventh and eight grades, the Committee were obliged to open a new school. At that time Mr. Belcher had 74 pupils, while the seating capacity of his room is 60. In like manner Mr. West's was overcrowded. It was, therefore, deemed advisable by the Committee to open a school for the pupils of the seventh grade, and we appointed Miss Katherine A. Kiley (who previously taught the sixth grade) as teacher of this school; Miss Mary A. Molloy, of the fifth grade, was advanced to the sixth, Miss Katherine A. Sheridan from the fourth to the fifth, and Miss Mary E. Wren from the third to the fourth. Miss Ellen E. McLaughlin was elected teacher of the third grade, which was made vacant by the advancement of Miss Wren. The pupils of the second grade, taught by Miss Fannie A. Campbell in the Prescott School building, were transferred to the old building (formerly No. 8). Not having sufficient funds to fit up a room for this grade, the Committee removed desks, seats, stove and table from the unoccupied schoolhouse on North street, and had them placed temporarily in the south room upstairs. The majority of these desks are too large for the pupils, but under the circumstances the Committee could not do otherwise.

We ask the town for an appropriation of \$200 at the annual meeting, to furnish this room in a suitable manner for young pupils. The school buildings are in good repair, with the exception of the Prescott building, which needs shingling, as the roof leaks badly. The town has voted several years to accept the act relative to the employment of a superintendent of schools, but we were unable to form a desirable union. We think, however, this year, that both Holbrook and Avon will be in a position to join us. The article has been inserted in the warrant, and we earnestly hope that the town will again vote to accept the act, and raise and appropriate \$300 (which will be our share) toward

the superintendent's salary, if it can be accomplished. After July 1st, 1902, it will be compulsory for the town to employ a superintendent of schools. See law which is herewith printed :

" CHAPTER 248.

"An Act relative to the employment of Superintendents of School by Cities and Towns.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. The school committee of each town or city in the Commonwealth may, and after July first in the year nineteen hundred and two shall, employ at the expense of the town or city a superintendent of schools, who under the direction and control of the committee shall have the care and supervision of the public schools: provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to dissolve existing unions for the employment of a superintendent, or to prevent towns from uniting for such employment under the provisions of sections forty-four and forty-five of chapter forty-four of the Public Statutes, or of sections six and seven of chapter four hundred and sixty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Section 2. The school committees of towns the valuation of which is less than two million five hundred thousand dollars may, and after July first in the year nineteen hundred and two shall, form unions under the provisions of chapter four hundred and sixty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Section 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. [Approved April 18, 1900.]

We have exceeded the appropriations this year, which is due to a large expenditure for books and the expense of an additional school.

A detailed statement of the expenditures in this department for the year ending December 31, 1900, is annexed to this report.

ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING THE YEAR.

Cora E. Taber.	Esther E. Wentworth.
Leona Bloom.	Edith Currie.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT DURING TWO TERMS.

Edward Brady.	Katherine Hoye.
Frank L. Hand.	Joseph Carroll.
James Malley.	Kittie Shephard.
Annie Sutton.	Matthew Tierney.
Gertrude L. Pierce.	Josephine Walsh.
Elmer W. Poole.	Francis Cahill.
Jessica M. Powers.	John Rudderham.
Harris Dexter.	James Sullivan.
Ray F. Hayden.	J. Madigan.
Harvey G. Lyons.	John Brady.
Arthur C. Baker.	Lillian H. Wentworth.
Norman F. Baker.	Bessie Brennan.
Henry Delarfano.	Charles Dolan.
Kathlene Uniack.	Albert Lynch.
Marie Kennier.	Joseph Kiley.
May Forrest.	Dorothy Hayes.
Joseph Brunt.	Marguerite Hayes.
Hugh Currie.	

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.	No. over 15 years of age.	No. between 7 and 14 years of age.	No. under 5 years.
HIGH,	{ Fred E. Chapin . .	106	99	91	91.9	57	22	0
	{ Isabel M. Breed . .							
	{ Nellie G. Prescott . .							
PRESCOTT GRAMMAR,	{ Thomas H. West . .	62	60	57.1	95.4	2	45	0
	{ Katie A. Kiley . .	38	31.2	29.1	92.8	1	37	0
	{ Mary A. Molloy . .	38	34.88	32.84	94+	0	38	0
	{ Kittie E. Sheridan . .	36	35.3	33.6	95	0	36	0
PRESCOTT PRIMARY,	{ Mary E. Wren . .	49	48	44	91+	0	43	0
	{ Fannie Campbell . .	38	36.4	32.9	90	0	5	0
	{ Kittie R. Molloy . .	57	50.8	46.3	90.4	0	1	0
NORTH GRAMMAR,	{ Joseph Belcher . .	67	62	58	93.6	4	52	0
	{ Ellen P. Henry . .	41	38+	35	91	0	41	0
NORTH PRIMARY,	{ Sarah C. Belcher . .	39	37	33	89+	0	39	0
	{ Clara A. Tolman . .	38	33	27	87	0	7	0
	{ Emma D. Stetson . .	27	26	23	89	0	21	0
UNGRADED,	{ Hannah F. Hoyer . .	25	24	22	91+	0	25	0
	{ Elizabeth G. Lyons . .	31	23	19	83	0	19	0
	{ Lucie W. Lewis . .	39	32.9	31.2	94+	0	22	0

The Committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1901 :

For teaching	\$7,625 00
Care of rooms	550 00
Fuel	400 00
Books and supplies	800 00
Miscellaneous, incidental and permanent repairs,	700 00
Furnishing room, Prescott primary building,	200 00
Shingling school building (Prescott)	250 00

For Superintendent of schools . . .	\$300 00
Transportation of pupils . . .	150 00
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	\$10,975 00
Less estimate revenue from the dog tax, State	
School Fund and Coddington Fund . .	700 00
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	\$10,275 00
Also for Stetson High School . . .	\$2,200 00

Respectfully submitted,

ROYAL T. MANN,
JOHN E. McDONALD,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS FOR 1900.

FOR TEACHING (38 weeks).

Paid Thomas H. West . . .	\$1,000 00
Joseph Belcher . . .	1,000 00
Ellen P. Henry . . .	449 92
Katherine A. Kiley . . .	450 00
Katherine E. Sheridan . . .	418 00
Mary A. Malloy . . .	427 24
Mary E. Wren . . .	399 00
Katherine R. Malloy . . .	380 00
Clara A. Tolman . . .	380 00
Lucy W. Lewis . . .	380 00
Hannah F. Hoye . . .	380 00
Sara C. Belcher . . .	380 00
Elizabeth G. Lyons . . .	380 00
Fannie A. Campbell . . .	378 00

Paid Emma D. Stetson	\$380 00
Ellen McLaughlin	130 00
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	\$7,312 16

FOR MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid John P. Rooney, labor	\$24 75
A. J. Gove, expressing	38 59
J. B. McDonald, labor	73 15
James Hurley, labor	1 25
C. H. Belcher, supplies	19 40
Estate of C. H. Belcher, supplies	2 41
Loring & Howard, curtains and mats	28 50
F. J. Donahoe, truant officer	20 00
John E. McDonald, postage, car fare, etc.	3 00
Miss E. Farrington, car fare	2 40
Miss E. Leahy, labor	14 25
M. W. Baker, stamped envelopes	16 20
E. A. Perry, labor	44 35
James Meany, services as watchman	2 00
William Mahady, labor	40 91
William B. Spear and Son, labor	22 77
D. J. Hand, taking census	20 00
Jeremiah McCarthy, labor	11 50
Francis B. Thayer, labor	7 63
C. H. Cole, labor	8 25
H. B. Libby, labor	4 96
S. M. Jones, labor	2 00
J. H. Deforest, labor	2 53
A. Alden, care of committee room	6 00
James Thompson, supplies	1 15
C. Fred Lyons, supplies	41 55
Nelson Mann, truant officer	20 00

Paid James Fardy, labor	.	.	.	.	\$1 00
Charles A. Payne, labor	.	.	.	.	2 55
D. H. Huxford, printing, etc.	.	.	.	.	15 75
M. A. Donavan, postage, etc.	.	.	.	.	1 50
J. White Belcher, insurance	.	.	.	.	27 00
C. G. Hathaway, insurance	.	.	.	.	20 00
F. M. French, insurance	61 65
William Pulson, labor	7 73
Lyon's Express	1 40
R. E. O'Brien	60
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					\$618 68

FOR CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid George M. Johnson	\$115 00
John P. Rooney	292 00
Francis B. Thayer	38 25
Eleanor Holbrook	43 00
James Barry	60 00
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					\$548 25

FOR FUEL.

Paid M. E. Leahy, wood	\$18 65
M. E. Leahy, coal	283 25
E. M. Mann, wood	62 00
D. B. White, coal	18 00
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					\$381 90

PERMANENT REPAIRS.

Paid E. W. Campagna, labor and stock . . .	\$17 06
Charles E. Lyons, labor and stock . . .	4 00
W. A. Croak, labor and stock . . .	15 74
James B. McDonald, labor and stock . . .	107 89
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	\$144 69

FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

Paid Royal T. Mann, cash paid . . .	\$25 50
" " " " " " . . .	26 50
" " " " " " . . .	32 00
" " " " " " . . .	23 50
" " " " " " . . .	26 50
" " " " " " . . .	14 50
" " " " " " . . .	8 00
" " " " " " . . .	12 00
" " " " " " . . .	14 00
" " " " " " . . .	10 00
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	\$192 50

FOR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid American Book Company . . .	\$271 14
Thorp, Martin & Co.	2 40
Ginn & Co.	286 77
J. L. Hammett Company . . .	164 98
Silver, Burdett & Co.	45 64
Esterbrook Pen Company . . .	12 00
Thompson, Brown & Co.	4 96
Edward E. Babb & Co.	4 20

Paid Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	\$0 39
W. B. Clarke & Co.	2 74
Rand, McNally & Co.	99 15
Atkinson & Mentzer	48 50
Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co.	13 17
Lothrop Publishing Company	1 20
King, Richardson & Co.	20 40
Pneumatic Hand Stamp Company	2 25
Boston School Supply Company	154 37
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	\$1,134 26

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Teaching	\$7,312 16
Miscellaneous and incidentals	618 68
Care of rooms	548 25
Fuel	381 90
Permanent repairs	144 69
Transportation of pupils	192 50
Books and supplies	1,134 26
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	\$10,332 44

INCOME FROM FUNDS AND TAXES, ETC.

Coddington fund	\$64 00
State School Fund	282 87
Dog licenses	387 10
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	\$733 97

REPORT OF THE TRUANT OFFICERS.

To the School Committee of Randolph:

In regard to the statutes governing Truant Officers, we report that accordingly we have visited all the factories in the town, and have not found any children under fourteen years of age working therein. A number are employed under sixteen years, but in each case they are furnished with an age and schooling certificate. We have had a number of complaints of children staying out of school, which we have attended to. One case of habitual truancy was brought before the Court, and the party sentenced to one year's confinement in the County School at Walpole.

FRANK J. DONAHOE,
NELSON MANN,

Truant Officers of Randolph.



STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The only changes in the investment of this fund, since our last annual report, is relative to the National Shawmut and Tremont National Bank shares under the arrangement made by the Trustees about two years ago, to take ten shares of the new Shawmut stock at \$150 per share, in exchange for thirteen shares of the old Shawmut National Bank. We have received dividends sufficient to pay for the new shares, and \$125 additional, which sum has been deposited in the Randolph Savings Bank; we expect another small dividend from the old shares. The Tremont National Bank is in liquidation; we have received two dividends amounting to \$250 from this stock, which sum is on deposit in the Randolph Savings Bank, until such time when the final dividends of both banks shall be paid.

The fund now stands as follows, the valuation being at par:

10 shares Eliot National Bank	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
10 shares Hide & Leather National Bank	.	.	.	1,000 00
10 shares Shoe & Leather National Bank	.	.	.	1,000 00
10 shares Exchange National Bank	.	.	.	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank	.	.	.	1,000 00
5 shares Tremont National Bank	.	.	.	500 00

10 shares Old Boston National Bank	. . .	\$1,000 00
10 shares National Shawmut Bank	. . .	1,000 00
6 shares Webster National Bank	. . .	600 00
3 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent. bonds,		3,000,00
1 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5 per cent. bond,		500 00
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		\$11,600 00

The investment of the Turner fund has not been changed.

The exercises of the fifty-sixth annual commencement occurred in the evening of June 22d last. Diplomas were presented to sixteen pupils, as follows :

Latin Course.

Margaret Elizabeth Barrett.	Annie Augusta Dushame.
Mary Frances Brady.	Cornelius Joseph Good.
Jane Josephine Campagna.	Thomas Hubert Good.
Mabel Amelia DeForest.	Daniel Edward Howard.
Fannie Marie Devine.	Grace Veronica Malley.
Joseph Aloysius Devine.	Thomas Edward Reilly.

English Course.

Adelaide Emily Baker.	Sarah Grace Jones.
Sophy Russell Cole.	Mabel Venie Taber.

The Turner medals were awarded to Daniel E. Howard, the valedictorian, and Margaret E. Barrett, the salutatorian.

At the beginning of the school year, September, 1899, the number of pupils in the school was 113.

Another successful year's work has been accomplished by our corps of High School teachers, Mr. Fred E. Chapin, principal, Miss Isabel M. Breed and Miss Nellie G. Prescott, assistants. We feel that under their control the school has maintained a high standard. Charles G. Hatha-

way, Esq., who has served as Secretary of the Board of Trustees in a very able and satisfactory manner, for a long period of years, resigned last September on account of removal to Plymouth, and Fred M. French, Esq., was elected to fill the vacancy.

The report of the secretary, Fred M. French, Esq., is hereunto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROYAL T. MANN,

JOHN E. McDONALD,

Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.

DR.		THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH	
1900.			
Jan.	1.	To balance of old account	\$120 09
	25.	dividend, National Shawmut Bank	12 50
	26.	town appropriation in part	350 00
	31.	interest, Mass. Loan & Trust Co.	65
Mar	6.	town appropriation in part	200 00
	29.	C., B. & Q. coupons	87 50
Apr.	3.	town appropriation in part	350 00
	4.	bank dividends, Eliot	\$30 00
		Webster	12 00
		Hide & Leather, 25 00	
		Shoe & Leather, 25 00	
		Exchange	30 00
		Boylston	25 00
		Old Boston	20 00
		Shawmut	12 50
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			179 50
June	20.	town appropriation in part	200 00
	25.	town appropriation in part	350 00
July	2.	bank dividends, Shawmut	\$12 50
Oct.	1.	Shoe & Leather, 30 00	
		Exchange	30 00
		Eliot	30 00
		Boylston	25 00
		Hide & Leather, 25 00	
		Old Boston	20 00
		Webster	12 00
		Shawmut	12 50
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			197 00
	13.	C., B. & Q. coupons	87 50
	22.	town appropriation in part	250 00
Nov.	20.	town appropriation in part	250 00
Dec.	17.	town appropriation, balance of	250 00
	31.	bank tax refunded by town	137 85
	31.	rent of hall for year	151 00
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			\$3,173 59

THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1900.

Jan.	29.	By paying P. H. McLaughlin, bill . . .	\$1 65
Feb.	2.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	147 36
	2.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	157 89
	2.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary, . . .	52 64
Mar.	2.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	147 36
	2.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	57 89
	2.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary, . . .	67 10
Apr.	4.	Est. Charles H. Belcher, bill . . .	5 11
	4.	Edwin M. Mann, wood . . .	7 50
	6.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	184 20
	6.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	72 37
	6.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary, . . .	72 36
	6.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor . . .	29 00
	9.	Fred M. French, insurance . . .	33 48
May	10.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	147 36
	10.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	157 89
	10.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary, . . .	57 89
	29.	D. L. Brownell, book . . .	3 50
June	14.	Am. Bank Note Co., diplomas, . . .	4 00
	14.	H. C. Kendall, filling diplomas, . . .	4 00
	21.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	221 12
	21.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	86 87
	21.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary, . . .	86 87
	25.	D. J. Hand, tuning piano . . .	2 00
	25.	E. A. Perry, bills . . .	5 00
	25.	M. A. Donovan, ribbon for diplomas, . . .	1 50
	26.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor . . .	32 00
	30.	Alice M. Belcher, professional services . . .	20 00
July	16.	James B. McDonald, bill . . .	35 65
	23.	Charles E. Lyons, bill . . .	7 00
	23.	C. G. Hathaway, Secretary . . .	5 00
Oct.	11.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	147 36
	11.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	57 89
	11.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary, . . .	57 89
	11.	E. W. Campagna, bill . . .	7 32
	13.	William Mahady, bill . . .	5 00
	13.	William B. Spear, bill . . .	11 34
	17.	James B. McDonald, bills . . .	3 70
	25.	F. E. Chapin, account salary . . .	147 36
	25.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary, . . .	57 89

Oct.	25.	By, paying Nellie G. Prescott, account salary,	\$57 89	
	27.	Edwin M. Mann, wood . . .	11 50	
Nov.	23.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	147 36	
	23.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	57 89	
	23.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary,	57 89	
	27.	J. White Belcher, insurance .	17 00	
	28.	D. J. Hand, labor on pianos .	6 00	
	30.	Arthur W. Alden, janitor .	29 50	
Dec.	6.	E. W. Campagna, bill . .	4 70	
	14.	Chandler Adjustable Chair & Desk Works, for desks .	55 50	
	20.	F. E. Chapin, account salary .	110 52	
	20.	Isabel M. Breed, account salary,	43 42	
	20.	Nellie G. Prescott, account salary,	43 42	
	24.	Edward A. Perry, bill . .	50	
	24.	Frank F. Smith, charcoal .	9 00	
	24.	Frank H. Sharp, bill . .	4 20	
	26.	Daniel B. White, coal . .	96 00	
	31.	Daniel H. Huxford, bill . .	36 50	
	31.	Kidder, Peabody & Co., int. on note,	10 86	
	31.	Trustees and Secretary, for services,	18 00	
	31.	Balance	146 63	
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FRED M. FRENCH,
Secretary.

RANDOLPH, February 7, 1901.

The undersigned, Selectmen of Randolph, having this day made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund for the year 1900, find them correct.

The investments for the fund are as follows, viz. :

Eliot National Bank, 10 shares . . .	\$1,000 00
Hide & Leather National Bank, 10 shares .	1,000 00
Shoe & Leather National Bank, 10 shares .	1,000 00
National Exchange Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Boylston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
* Tremont National Bank, 5 shares . . .	500 00
Old Boston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Webster National Bank, 6 shares . . .	600 00
National Shawmut Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, 5 per cent bonds	3,500 00
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	\$11,600 00

We also find in the hands of the secretary a \$1,000 bond of the City of Minneapolis, Minn., the investment for the Turner Fund.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.
CHARLES H. THAYER.

*In liquidation. Two dividends amounting to \$250 have been paid.

TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES, 1900.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Vice-President and Treasurer.*

WILLIAM H. LEAVITT, *Secretary.*

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN.

CHARLES H. THAYER.

Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.

ASA P. FRENCH.

J. WINSOR PRATT.

JOHN V. BEAL.

HENRY A. BELCHER.

N. IRVING TOLMAN.

MRS. ALICE M. T. BEACH.

MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

MRS. ELLEN J. T. CRAWFORD.

Librarian.

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

Assistant Librarian.

MISS FANNIE C. HOWARD.



PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In compliance with Article 3 of the By-Laws of the Turner Library, the twenty-fifth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with extracts from the reports of different committees and of the librarian, presented to the trustees, for the year ending December 31, 1900.

TRUST.

The trust consists of the library building, library, funds invested and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee herewith submitted.

BUILDINGS.

The committee on building (consisting of John J. Crawford, Henry A. Belcher, N. Irving Tolman and Charles H. Thayer) report that "the building is in good condition, and no large outlay, except for ordinary repairs, will be required on the same the coming year."

LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the library committee (consisting of J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Mrs. Clara A. Wales, Mrs. Ellen J. T. Crawford and William H. Leavitt), and the books, charts and furnishings of the library were found in their usual excellent condition; all books belonging to the library were accounted for by the librarian.

FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, J. Winsor Pratt and P. H. McLaughlin) report as follows:

"To the Board of Trustees of the Turner Free Library:

"In compliance with the requirements of Article Tenth of the By-Laws of the Turner Free Library, the Committee on Finance herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1900, and ending December 31, 1900, also the result of their examination of the Treasurer's accounts and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts of the treasury during this period of time, as per accounts of John J. Crawford, Treasurer, including the balance \$858.59 of last year, were \$3,088.79.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$2,533.97, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$554.82.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasury, the committee find that all bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$554.82, as above shown, is now in the treasury, and remains on deposit in the National Hide & Leather Bank, Boston.

"The committee further find that all the rents, the interest and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library exclusive of the above

mentioned balance consist of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) invested in a promissory note of the Town of Randolph bearing interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, and the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) known as the 'Turner Fund' invested as follows :

"Three bonds of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad of \$1,000 each.

"One bond of the Old Colony Railroad Co. of \$1,000.

"One bond of the Erie Telephone Co. of \$1,000.

"Two bonds of the Chicago & West Michigan Railroad Co. of \$1,000 each.

"Three bonds of the Union Pacific Railroad Co. of \$500 each.

"Thirty-three shares of the preferred stock of the Union Pacific Railroad Co.

"The Royal W. Turner bequest is invested as follows :

"Ten Old Colony Railroad bonds, \$1,000 each.

"Ten Wayne County, Michigan, bonds, \$1,000 each."

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1900, will be found in the report of the treasurer, hereto annexed.

The following extracts from the twenty-fifth annual report of the librarian, Dr. Charles C. Farnham, to the trustees, contain a condensed statement of the present condition of the library :

"In this twenty-fifth annual statement, it gives me pleasure to note the character of the service required: While the issue of books for home reading has been somewhat less than that of the previous year, the character of the books borrowed has materially improved. A very large number of historical, biographical and scientific works have been taken, thus lessening the proportion of fiction.

"The requirements in these lines of study have been so

constant, that I can safely speak of our duties as the most exacting and at the same time the most gratifying we, as librarians, have ever been called upon to render.

"The library has been open for the delivery of books 276 days.

"The total circulation for the year has been 20,172.

"The monthly average (eleven months), 1,834.

"The daily average (276 days), 73.

"The largest daily issue was 247, on December 29th.

"The smallest daily issue was 10, on December 4th.

"The entire number of registered borrowers is 1663—a very much larger number of cards than the actual number of persons drawing books.

"There have been taken upon special cards for school purposes 790 volumes.

"The present number of volumes in the library is 15,610, an annual gain of 832.

"We have been encouraged by many kind words from the literary clubs of the town, indicating their high appreciation of every effort made in their behalf and of the great value of the library to them in their researches.

"Books not already at hand, which may be desired for special study, are upon request promptly purchased, and every facility offered by the trustees and librarians for thorough investigation in every department of scientific or literary work."

At the close of another year the trustees again express their satisfaction with the excellent condition of the library under the care and management of the present efficient librarian and his assistant.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Randolph, January 1, 1901.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

Jan. 1, 1900.	RECEIPTS.	
Income from Turner fund		\$512 00
Royal W. Turner legacy		800 00
Interest on Town of Randolph note		200 00
Rent from Randolph Savings Bank		300 00
Charles H. Belcher estate		62 50
C. Fred Lyons		187 50
Ladies' Library Association		15 00
Received for fuel from Randolph Savings Bank,		115 20
Fines and collections		38 00
Balance January 1, 1900		858 59
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		\$3,088 79

	DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid for books and periodicals		\$955 17
binding		113 05
salary of librarian		500 00
salary of assistant librarian		250 00
salary of janitor		125 00
electric lighting		75 00
fuel		163 00
insurance		214 20
repairs		54 62
supplies, including express		83 93
Balance December 31, 1900		554 82
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		\$3,088 79

The Turner Fund of \$1,000 is invested in :

3	Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. bonds of	\$1,000	each.
2	Chicago & West Michigan R.R. bonds of	1,000	"
1	Old Colony R.R. bond of	1,000	"
1	Erie Telegraph & Telephone bond of	1,000	"
3	Union Pacific R.R. bonds of	500	"
33	shares of the preferred stock of the Union Pacific R.R. Co.		

The Royal W. Turner legacy is invested in :

10	Old Colony R.R. bonds of	\$1,000	each.
10	Wayne County, Michigan, bonds of	1,000	"

The \$5,000 note of the Town of Randolph, bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, stands as heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. J. CRAWFORD,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Board of Selectmen of Randolph :

Gentlemen, — The following is submitted as the report of the Engineers of the Fire Department :

On May 1, 1900, the department was organized as follows :

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; D. J. Brennan, J. E. Blanche, J. W. Farrell, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Assistant and Clerk*.

APPARATUS AND COMPANIES.

Engine 1 : A. J. Gove, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*; F. J. Donahue, *Fireman*.

Engine 2 : James Riley, *Driver*; E. L. Payne, *Engineer*; W. M. Howard, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine : J. E. Blanche, *Driver*.

Ladder 1 : Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon 1 : C. H. Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel 2 : Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. No. 1 : 17 men, M. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

Hose Co. No. 2 : 10 men, John E. Clark, *Foreman*.

Ladder Co. No. 1 : 15 men, C. S. Dolan, *Foreman*.

Chemical Co. : 13 men, J. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*.

FIRES.

February 5, 4.15 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Union street owned and occupied by George A. Elliot; cause of fire, defective chimney; upper story of building badly damaged by fire, lower part by water; damage \$1,000.

- March 31, 8.30 P.M., alarm for fire in unoccupied dwelling on North street owned by Mrs. Swindells; cause of fire, incendiary; fire was set on platform or piazza on outside of building; damage small.
- April 4, 3.30 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Moulton street owned by Gustavus Thayer and occupied by T. F. Hand and John Sylvester; cause, defective chimney; damage \$50.
- April 7, 11.45 A.M., alarm for brush fire in rear of dwellings of Henry Dodge and B. F. Porter, on North Main street; alarm was needless.
- April 7, 8 P.M., Chief Wales called to fire in woodland on North street, near Braintree line.
- April 10, 7 P.M., Chief Wales called to fire in woodland between Liberty and Oak streets.
- April 8, 3 P.M., J. W. Farrell, with a force of men, put out fire in woodland on the south side of South street.
- May 14, 12.40 P.M., on a still alarm, Hose 2 was called to a brush fire, which for a time threatened the piggery buildings of J. G. and B. S. Ferguson on Canton street.
- May 16, 2.30 A.M., a small fire in dwelling owned by Thomas Kiley, and occupied by Aaron Daniels, at corner of West and Cross streets; was put out by occupants and neighbors; no alarm; cause, overturned lamp.
- April 15, afternoon, J. E. Blanche, with a force of men, extinguished fire in woodland on north side of West street.
- April 10, afternoon, J. W. Farrell, with a force of men, extinguished fire in woodland on east side of South street.
- May 22, 5 P.M., Chief Wales was called to fire in woodland between Highland avenue and the Old Colony R.R.; about 25 cords of wood cut and in piles were burned; supposed cause, spark from locomotive.
- May 30, 7 P.M., Chief Wales with a force of men was called

to fire in woodland on the north side of Pond street and east of North Main street.

June 12, 3.30 A.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on Allen street owned by Sarah and Elizabeth Holmes, and occupied by F. E. Whalen and Charles Nicholson; cause of fire unknown; damage about \$60.

June 28, 1.50 P.M., alarm for fire in a barn just over the Braintree and Randolph line, on North street, owned and occupied by a Mr. Forter; cause of fire, lightning; all apparatus returned as soon as fire was located.

July 17, 8.05 A.M., alarm for fire in an unoccupied dwelling on South street owned by Adam Atcherson; cause of fire, incendiary; damage slight.

July 28, 1 P.M., alarm for fire in dwelling on North street owned and occupied by James Lyons; cause of fire, accidental; slight damage.

September 15, 9 P.M., Chief Wales was called to fire in woodland on the south side of Canton street.

October 13, 7.30 P.M., alarm from Box 61, Tower Hill, which was false. This was the first alarm pulled in since the fire alarm system was put in use and tested.

October 15, 1.30 A.M., alarm from Box 27 for a fire in an unoccupied dwelling on South street owned by Adam Atcherson; cause, incendiary. This box got a good test, as some excited person pulled in three alarms and started on the fourth, when Superintendent Averill put a stop to it by plugging the box out.

October 29, 8.30 A.M., on a still alarm, Chief Wales was called to dwelling on Main street owned and occupied by Seth Mann, where burning soot in a chimney was causing some anxiety to members of the household.

November 12, 9 A.M., on a still alarm, Hose 2 was called to the pumping station of the Randolph Water Works at great pond, where a fire was burning in the coal

bunker where about 100 tons of coal was stored. A squad of men worked the remainder of the day throwing out the coal before the fire was called all out.

November 19, 10.55 P.M., alarm from Box 43 for fire in a small barn on Allen street owned and occupied by Gibb Bodreaux; cause of fire unknown.

December 3, 2.30 A.M., alarm from Box 27 for a fire in unoccupied dwelling on South street owned by Adam Atcherson. This was the third time within six months that the firemen had been called to this building; this call, however, finished the building, as it was wholly destroyed.

EXPENSES.

Paid 54 men \$12 each	\$648 00
54 men 512 hours at 50 cents	256 00
54 men 182 hours at 25 cents	45 50
for woodland fires	82 00
board of engineers, fire service and cash paid,	49 50
engineer of steamer	40 00
fireman of steamer	30 00
A. J. Gove, hauling apparatus of Central	
Station, 1 year	400 00
J. E. Blanche, hauling chemical engine	85 00
James Riley, hauling hose 2, nine months,	30 00
F. J. Donahue, steward, etc., 1 year	76 25
W. M. Howard, steward, etc., 1 year	67 00
R. J. McAuliffe, steward, etc., 1 year	74 75
W. O. Holloran, steward, etc.	13 25
E. L. Payne, care Steamer 2	10 50
J. White Belcher, insurance	25 30
Hartford Co., insurance and inspection	30 00
Bernhard Cahill, labor	5 00
D. B. White, coal	38 00
C. E. Lyons, for repairs of chimney	3 50

Paid Electric Light Co., light service . . .	\$27 74
Arthur W. Alden, janitor . . .	6 00
James Fardy, iron work . . .	5 75
S. A. Thayer, coal . . .	12 50
F. A. Boyd & Co., repairs of stove . . .	3 28
W. A. Croak, repairs of buildings . . .	25 36
C. Callahan & Co., supplies . . .	83 24
C. Callahan & Co., new hose (500 feet) . .	350 00
James Riley, rent of land . . .	15 00
C. Fred Lyons, supplies . . .	11 48
M. E. Leahy, coal . . .	7 25
Estate of C. H. Belcher, supplies . . .	62
Mary Sullivan's heirs, rent of land . . .	10 00
Eugene Thayer, supplies . . .	1 65
Total expenses . . .	<u>\$2,569 42</u>

Appropriation . . .	\$2,468 00
Received from City of Quincy, use of steamer . . .	105 00
	<u>\$2,573 00</u>
Paid out . . .	2,569 42
	<u>\$3 58</u>
Balance unexpended . . .	

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Appropriation for installing a fire alarm . . .	\$2,000 00
Paid Gamewell Fire Alarm Co., as per contract . . .	\$1,938 00
sundry bills, on account of fire alarm . . .	53 04
	<u>1,991 04</u>
Balance unexpended . . .	<u>\$8 96</u>

It is perhaps unnecessary at this time to repeat all that has been said or done in the past in the matter of setting up a fire alarm system in the town. Suffice it to say that, in accordance with the vote passed at the town meeting held on April 23, 1900, the Board of Engineers, with the approval of the committee on fire alarm, entered into a contract with the Gamewell Fire Alarm Co. for a system of alarm for the town. In due course of time the wire was on the poles, boxes located, battery placed in the Central station, and finally the whistle.

It will be remembered that the committee in one of their reports stated that there was a prospect of taking advantage of the clause in the franchise of the Stoughton street railway and locating the whistle on their power house; as there seemed to be grave doubts in the minds of the Board of Engineers of the feasibility of the power house, or of its proving a success if it could be placed there, the matter was dropped, and Mr. Doughty, the manager of the electric light plant, being consulted, he gave his consent to place the whistle upon his building; as the contract with the "alarm company" required the Board of Engineers to furnish the proper piping to connect and conduct steam to the whistle, Mr. Doughty was employed to do the same. The Board of Engineers have entered into a contract with Mr. Doughty, he to furnish steam for the whistle for five years at fifty dollars per year. On August 13, all parts of the system having been connected, Mr. Humphrey, representing the alarm company, Chief Wales and Brennan, Farrell, and Croak of the Board, proceeded to test the 16 boxes in the circuit. Box 26 on South Main street near E. F. Knight's was the first box pulled; the whistle responded correctly and promptly, as it did to the remaining 15 boxes. The system was finally accepted on September 7; on the 11th of September the

keys were put in the boxes, and the fire alarm was ready for use.

We are pleased to note the fact, that there has been little meddling with the boxes. Box 28 on Union street was the worst case, a key having been broken off in the lock before the alarm keys had been placed in the boxes; the glass in the small door of several boxes were broken; one false alarm from box 61, Tower Hill. Since the public have been notified of the penalty liable to be incurred for tampering with the system, there has been very little cause for complaint.

The Board appointed Mr. Herbert L. Averill as the superintendent of fire alarm, and we believe he is fully qualified not only to care for, but to make repairs to any part of the system wherever needed, thereby saving the time and trouble in sending for an expert.

It cannot be shown as yet whether the alarm system will be a saving of expense or not in the maintenance of the Fire Department. We firmly believe that when the rules adopted by the Board for the government of men and apparatus and everything gets into shape under the new conditions, that it will be shown that the department can be run with no more expense than has been the case during the past few years. We believe it can be for something less.

The alarm system having been in use only a few months, it is somewhat difficult to decide upon the amount of appropriation that will be required the ensuing year for its maintenance. We may ask for a small sum with the hope that circumstances the ensuing year will be such that the expense of running the department will be below the minimum.

The running time of the department has been arranged with reference to certain districts and boxes, so that *all* the men do not respond to fire alarms, neither *all* apparatus. The chemical engine and ladder truck respond to all alarms;

all apparatus are to respond to all alarms from certain boxes, which we style "danger boxes," etc. The whole department responds to second alarm.

A first alarm, or *an alarm*, is sounded as follows: Suppose, for instance, that Box 23 is pulled (the machinery working automatically), the whistle blows two blows (representing tens) which means twenty, a pause, thus . . . then three more (representing units), which means three, making 23. This is repeated by the whistle until four rounds have been blown. This is an alarm or a first alarm. This is repeated as a second alarm, but this must not be done until ordered by an engineer or whoever is in charge of affairs at a fire.

CHAPTER 206 — SECTION 13 — OF THE PUBLIC STATUTES.

"Whoever, without reasonable cause, by outcry or ringing of bells, or *otherwise*, makes or circulates or causes to be made or circulated a false alarm of fire, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the jail not exceeding six months."

Any person that shall tamper with the fire alarm in any manner whatsoever will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Per Order Board of Engineers, Fire Department.

The number and location of boxes are as follows:

- No. 23. Central square, corner Union and North streets.
- 24. Junction of Maple and South Main streets.
- 26. South Main street, near E. F. Knight's.
- 27. South street, near P. H. McLaughlin's.
- 28. Union street, near D. J. Golden's.
- 31. Junction Cottage, Mill and North streets.
- 34. Junction Liberty and North streets.
- 35. Junction Oak and North streets.

- 42. Corner Main and West streets.
- 43. Corner Roel and Allen streets.
- 45. Front of Baptist Church, Main street.
- 46. West, corner North Main street.
- 52. Depot square, Warren street.
- 54. Corner Warren and Fowler streets.
- 56. McCarthy's Corner, West and Lafayette streets.
- 61. Tower Hill.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of the same number of pieces as reported one year ago, namely: two steamers, one hose wagon, one horse reel, one hand reel, one chemical engine, ladder truck fully equipped. The steamers have been inspected, as is the custom, once a year, and were found to be in very good condition. During the past year we have received requests to place a price upon one of the steamers. We did so; we have not heard from the parties since.

We believe we could sell one of the steamers if we were allowed the privilege of exchanging for something in the way of supplies or apparatus, instead of waiting until spot cash is in sight.

We have moved the chemical engine from the house on West street to one of the buildings connected with the stable of Engineer Blanche, he to care for the same. This was done for the reason that if the service of a chemical engine is needed at all, it is as soon as possible after fire has been discovered, and as Mr. Blanche hauls the engine, we wish to get the best service possible, hence the change. We placed more hose in the house on West street on the hand reel located there.

The chemical engine is fully insured in its new quarters.

HOUSES.

The houses are in pretty good condition; some minor repairs may be needed.

ESTIMATES OF EXPENSES FOR 1901.

We herewith recommend the following for the ensuing year: \$12 per man; 50 cents per hour for actual work at fires; 25 cents per hour for guard or watch duty, and fires in woodland, steward, etc.; engineer of steamer, \$40; fireman of steamer, \$30.

We therefore ask to have appropriated the following:

For regular running expenses	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
pay of 54 men, \$12 each	.	.	.	648 00
hour service	.	.	.	252 00
fires in woodland	.	.	.	100 00
insurance	.	.	.	50 00
repairs	.	.	.	25 00
care of fire alarm	.	.	.	50 00
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				\$2,125 00

CHARLES A. WALES,
 DANIEL J. BRENNAN,
 J. E. BLANCHE,
 J. W. FARRELL,
 W. A. CROAK,

Engineers.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

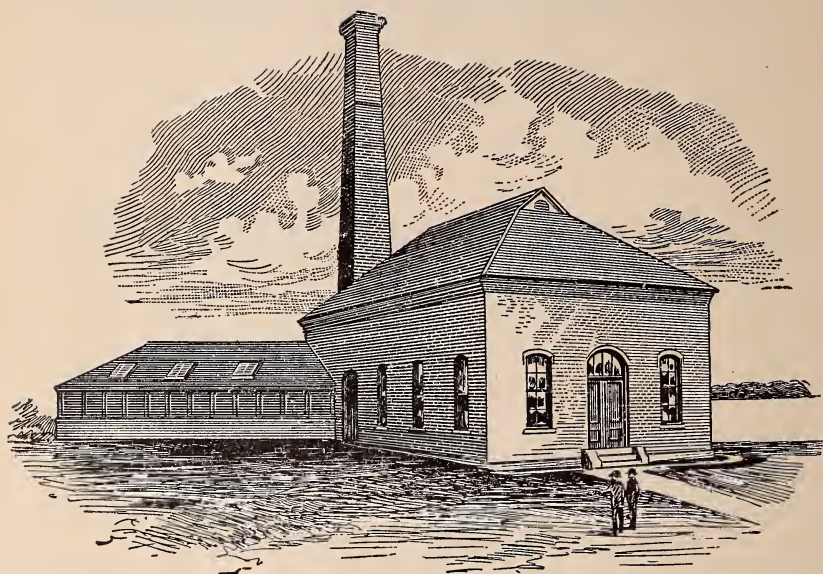
WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1900.



RANDOLPH PUMPING STATION.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

On the 17th of November of the last year, we were pained to hear of the sudden death of Peter B. Hand, Chairman of the Board; one who had been connected with the works from the beginning to the time of his death, and who was thoroughly posted in all the details in regard to the same; one who was able and ready at all times in public or in private to satisfactorily explain all matters in regard to the same.

He will be missed in settlement of cases that are pending, and in cases that may arise in the future.

We wish at this time to express our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of the deceased, and we feel that the town has suffered in the loss of one of the best informed officers in regard to the water works.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

The Water Commissioners respectfully submit their fifteenth annual report, for the year ending December 31, 1900.

The condition of the Water Works will appear from the reports of the superintendent, Charles A. Wales, and the engineer at the pumping station, Edward J. T. Dexter.

The condition of the sinking fund and the outstanding bonds will appear from the report of the Treasurer, Joseph T. Leahy.

Orders were drawn upon the Treasurer amounting to \$12,548.16, as follows :

On account of: Joint maintenance	\$2,490 03
Randolph construction, service pipe	524 54
Randolph maintenance	7,019 72
Sinking fund	2,500 00
Holbrook bills paid	13 87
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	\$12,548 16

EXPENDITURES.

JOINT WORKS MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid by Randolph.

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary as engi- neer	\$1,100 00
E. J. T. Dexter, cash paid	6 20
Tomasso Dirosa, labor	426 37
Richard F. Forrest, labor	141 63
George F. Blake Manfg. Com- pany, cylinder for pump	450 00
Pay-roll for labor on pump	7 13
George W. Wentworth, labor	3 00
A. J. Wilkinson, padlock	1 00
Falls Rivet Machine Company, shafting	2 38
Crosby Steam Gage & Valve Co., gauge	4 00
C. H. Belcher Estate, supplies,	22 53
Mrs. R. E. Mann, labor at pumping station	2 00
John Harris, labor	2 00

Paid Frank H. Langley, labor and supplies	\$7 15
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., supplies	15 03
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies	39 37
D. J. Nyhan, supplies	1 75
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil	3 00
Duval Metallic Packing Company, packing	44 10
William O. Halloran, labor	1 75
Fairbanks Company, disc	25
John P. Rooney, labor	2 75
W. J. Ryan, repairs	3 00
A. J. Gove, team and expressing,	10 40
Charles H. Cole, labor on vault,	5 00
S. B. Woodman, repairs	40 68
Joseph Breck & Sons, wheelbarrow	4 50
S. A. Thayer, coal	16 87
Lyons Express, expressing	2 30
John Sheehan, labor	3 00
William Mahady, labor	4 40
George M. Johnson, labor	7 00
Town of Randolph, team labor,	5 25
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co., freight	3 26
F. W. Hayden, supplies	1 70
J. B. Rhines & Co., supplies	25 45
C. E. Lyons, labor and material,	21 20
John H. Pray, Sons & Co., matting	13 85
Howard Randall, oil	5 10
A. T. Stearns Lumber Company, supplies	19 60

Paid William Crossley, supplies . . .	\$1 33	
R. E. O'Brien, supplies . . .	1 41	
C. Fred Lyons, supplies . . .	9 34	
Edwin M. Mann, wood . . .	2 00	
	—	\$2,490 03

Paid by Holbrook.

Paid John W. Porter, coal . . .	\$893 31	
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies, . . .	45 88	
C. H. McCarter, teams and blacksmithing	34 75	
D. B. White, coal	135 00	
Nickerson & Jones, painting . . .	1 50	
Griffith Jones, painting . . .	30 00	
Robert W. Neff, blackite paint, . .	74 75	
M. E. Leahy & Co., coal . . .	851 51	
George T. Wilde, supplies . . .	5 87	
Albert Low, labor	9 20	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil . . .	4 00	
Waldo Bros., cement	75	
Chapman Valve Co., supplies . . .	35 12	
	—	2,121 64
Total paid on joint account		\$4,611 67
One-half to be paid by each town		\$2,305 83
Paid by Holbrook :		
Sundry bills	\$2,121 64	
Balance joint account refunded, . .	184 19	
	—	\$2,305 83

HOLBROOK BILLS.

Paid by Randolph :		
Tomasso Dirosa, labor	\$12 37	
A. J. Gove, team	1 50	
	—	\$13 87
Refunded by Holbrook		\$13 87

RANDOLPH CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, SERVICE PIPE.

Paid William Mahady, labor	\$26 15
W. L. Pulson, labor and supplies . .	4 00
Thomas Carroll, labor	9 00
F. W. Hayden, supplies	1 15
Tomasso Dirosa, labor	110 26
M. W. Baker, pipe	2 28
F. H. Langley, supplies and labor . .	13 40
George Woodman Co., pipe and fittings .	84 26
Oriental Powder Mills, dynamite . .	9 00
Thompson Meter Co., repairs	4 22
City of Brockton, pipe	17 12
A. J. Gove, expressing	5 35
Sumner Goodwin Co., supplies	73 20
National Meter Co., meters	146 05
Timothy Lyons, expressing	2 50
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., freight . .	1 10
Charles A. Payne, supplies	1 20
John B. McGrane, labor	4 00
Richard F. Forrest, labor	2 00
John Lyons, labor	2 00
R. E. O'Brien, supplies	4 05
John Sheehan, labor	2 25
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	\$524 54

RANDOLPH MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid Interest on water loan	\$5,720 00
Tomasso Dirosa, labor	42 75
Richard F. Forrest, labor	22 00

Paid Charles A. Wales, services as Commissioner and superintendent for year ending Dec- ember 31, 1900	\$600 00
Peter B. Hand, services as Commissioner one year ending March 1, 1900	125 00
Daniel B. White, services as Commissioner one year ending March 1, 1900	100 00
Estate of Peter B. Hand, on account of ser- vices as Commissioner for 1900	100 00
James F. Sullivan, services as Commissioner one year ending March 1, 1901	125 00
Daniel H. Huxford, printing	58 00
M. Wales Baker, postage	12 63
Pay-roll, labor	14 40
Boston Safe Deposit Co., rent of box	10 00
Arthur W. Alden, care of room	6 00
Crosby Steam Gage & Valve Co., supplies,	2 75
C. D. Hill, supplies	6 23
Union Meter Co., repairs	2 50
A. J. Gove, use of team and expressing	59 45
Timothy Lyons, expressing	2 20
W. A. Croak, labor	1 32
C. Fred Lyons, supplies	1 49
Joseph T. Leahy, cash paid	8 00
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	\$7,019 72

WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer \$2,500 00

RECEIPTS.

From water rates fixed	\$6,098 40
water rates, meter	1,261 05

From service pipe and labor paid by applicants,	\$186 50
sale of dynamite	4 00
sale of stone	2 80
use of pump	3 00
pipe and labor on fountains	10 95
Holbrook, balance of Joint Account	184 19
Holbrook, refunded for bills paid	13 87
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	\$7,764 76

Cash paid Treasurer ' . . . \$7,764 76

The Commissioners recommend appropriations for the ensuing year as follows :

For contributions to the sinking fund	\$2,500 00
For water for hydrants and public use	2,000 00

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 5, 1901.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM.

J. K. WILLARD.

R. P. BARRETT.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF WATER WORKS.

PUMPING STATION.

On account of not having but one air-pump and condenser for both pumps, and the old one needing repairs, the commissioners decided to purchase a new one, which has been done, and is now in working order. The old one has been taken out, and when repaired will be placed in position. We shall then have two pumps, two air-pumps, and two boilers, and we think as well an equipped station as any works in the State.

The work of putting in this new pump and condenser, and the repairs, was done by E. J. T. Dexter, who was employed as engineer.

GREAT POND.

We can only report, as in former years, that during the last dry summer the water was as low as ever known, but still there has been apparently a bountiful supply, and will be for years to come.

The quality of the water is reported very good by the State Board of Health, who examine the same every month from samples sent them from different parts of the pond and from other parts of the works as ordered by them.

MAINS.

No new extensions have been made the last year. There have been four breaks in the mains at the lower part of the works, which is expected and is liable to happen owing to the nature of the ground and on account of the increased pressure nearer the station. There has also been one small break on Pleasant street. Where we have been able to

examine the mains, they were found to be in as good condition as when put in.

STANDPIPES.

The standpipes with the exception of painting are in good order. It was the intention of the commissioners to have them painted this last year. Bids were asked from the painters of Randolph and Holbrook, and several were received. Griffith Jones, of Randolph, being the lowest, was awarded the contract.

As this has to be done in the part of the year when the consumption of water is the least, it was tried last fall, but owing to the weather, the commissioners decided to put it off until early in the spring, and the contract calls for this to be completed before June 1, 1901.

METERS.

I wish still, as last year, to recommend the introduction of meters. This is not an experiment for this town, as they have been in use in cities for a number of years. In Milton and other towns in the State every service is through meters. Canton, Stoughton, Whitman and Rockland are introducing meters as fast as possible, and as the waste water is supposed to be one-third of the amount pumped, any way that can stop any part of this waste is a gain. We have at the present 80 meters in use. The amount received is a good per cent on the amount invested.

During the last year there have been 21,651,557 gallons less water pumped than in the year previous, and 25½ tons less coal used.

In both towns there has been less water used in cases of fires than in other years, but on the other hand large quantities have been used in the construction of macadamized roads.

At this time I wish to express my opinion, but not as an expert, that from what I have seen in the putting in and in watching meters, that a large amount of this saving of water, and on the wear of machinery, is due to the introduction of meters, and I think that a better showing will be made the coming year, and that it is the only fair and just way for both parties, in the taking of water.

We have been fortunate up to the present time not to have had any serious breaks, but as these do happen in other systems, and may occur here, or in cases of large fires, it is not safe to close the gates in the mains without notifying the engineer at the station, and this means a drive of five miles. I recommend that some arrangement be made so that communication can be had between the centre of the town and the pumping station.

In closing this report, I wish to say that the pumping station is not owned by a corporation or by private parties, but by the citizens of Holbrook and Randolph, and I am surprised that, with the amount of money invested there and the pleasant surroundings, so few accepted the invitation previously extended to call and inspect the plant, but at this time renew the same to the citizens of both towns and all visitors to them or any others interested in the Water Works.

CHARLES A. WALES,
Superintendent.

To the Water Commissioners of Randolph:

Gentlemen,—I submit to you my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1900.

Everything at the station is in good condition except the old air pump, which I am making preparation to repair, or rather rebuild, as soon as the new one is in place. Acting under the authority vested in me by a vote of your Honor-

able Board, I have made the necessary changes at the station and built a foundation for a new air pump and condenser, placed a large hot well in the boiler room, and run the overflow pipe out on the down-stream side of intake, instead of the up-stream side as before, making a much better appearance on the shore of the pond in front of the station.

I would call the attention of the commissioners to the condition of the outlet at the dam. The guides that hold the flash boards in place have rotted away to such an extent that the boards will not stay in place. These should be renewed so that in dry seasons the pond can be kept up to the usual height.

Following is the usual table :

DATE.	WATER.		COAL.	
	Gallons pumped	Daily average.	Pounds burned.	Daily average.
January . . .	6,132,349	204,119	43,256	1,441
February . . .	4,927,190	164,239	40,841	1,361
March . . .	5,589,312	186,310	43,728	1,457
April . . .	5,447,040	181,568	42,884	1,429
May . . .	6,460,860	215,365	46,413	1,547
June . . .	10,421,510	347,383	68,996	2,299
July . . .	14,158,203	471,940	82,001	2,733
August . . .	6,111,270	203,709	66,638	2,221
September . . .	9,413,455	313,781	61,494	2,049
October . . .	7,214,592	273,819	55,503	1,850
November . . .	4,950,512	165,017	47,375	1,579
December . . .	4,127,220	137,574	48,118	1,937
Totals . . .	84,955,513	232,760	647,247	1,773
Decrease from last year . . .	21,651,557	59,325	50,923	119

Largest day's pumping, July 19, 849,900 gallons.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. T. DEXTER,
Engineer.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following regulations, until further notice, shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses water :

1. All applications for the use of water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, and state fully the purposes for which it is intended to be used. Water will not be introduced into any building or premises except on the written application of the owner thereof, or by a duly authorized agent. The property will in all cases be held responsible for the water rates.

2. All persons taking water must keep their water pipes and fixtures in good repair and protected from the frost at their own expense. They will be held liable for all damages resulting from their failure to do so. They shall prevent all unnecessary waste, and water shall not be left running to prevent freezing. The Water Commissioners or their agent may, from time to time, ascertain the quantity of water used, the manner of its use, and whether there is any unnecessary waste. They and their agents shall have free access to the premises supplied, to examine the apparatus, and if any fixtures are found not to be in good order, they shall direct them repaired, and if not repaired within two days the water shall be shut off and not let on again until such repairs are made, and the sum of two dollars paid for shutting off and turning on the water.

3. The occupant of any premises, when unnecessary waste of water occurs, shall be liable to a fine of two dollars for the first offence, and four dollars for the second offence during the same year, and shall be notified thereof in writing ; and if such waste is not prevented and the fine aforesaid paid within two days from the time when the said notice is given, the water shall be shut off from the premises, and shall not

be again let on for the same occupant until the waste be stopped and the fine paid, together with an additional sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water; and in case of a third or subsequent offence the water shall be shut off, and shall not again be let on except by a vote of the Water Commissioners and the payment of such fine, not exceeding ten dollars, as the Water Commissioners may impose.

4. Any person supplied with water shall not allow another to take water from their fixtures without the written permission of the Water Commissioners. If any tenant, having no fixtures, has any use of such fixtures, full rates will be charged for such use by each tenant.

5. All parties using water in stables, for horses or other animals, will be charged schedule rates for the same, whether it be carried by hand or through hose.

6. All persons using water for building purposes are required to obtain a permit from the Water Commissioners before taking water from any faucet or fixture connected with the water works, and all water takers are warned not to let any party take water from their premises until they show a permit from the Water Commissioners. Any person furnishing water in violation of this section will be subject to a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and if the same when levied is not paid within three days from the time when the notice thereof is given, the water will be shut off from the premises, and will not be let on again until such fine is paid.

7. All fixtures and water closets and urinals must be of a kind and quality approved by the Water Commissioners.

8. No person shall in any case be allowed to open any fire hydrants except by a written permit from the Water Commissioners; but the Engineers of the Fire Department shall in all cases have control of hydrants at fires and for practice.

9. The Commissioners reserve the right to restrict the use

of hose or fountain, to shut off the water in all cases when it becomes necessary to make extensions or repairs, or for violation of any of the regulations, or whenever they deem it expedient.

10. The regular rates for the use of water shall be payable in advance on the first days of January and July of each year, except where water is supplied to manufacturers by special agreement. In all cases of non-payment of the water rates within ten days after the same is due, as well as for any violation of these rules and regulations, the supply will be shut off, and the water will not again be let on except upon the payment of the amount due, and the sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water.

11. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to change the water rates at any time, except in case of dwelling-houses, and established special rates.

12. For business requiring large quantities of water, and all supplies not enumerated in the tariff of rates, special rates will be made.

13. Parties using water for manufacturing or domestic purposes can erect hydrants on their grounds or standpipes in their building to be used only as protection against fire, without additional charge for water.

14. All service pipes will be put in by the Water Commissioners. All applicants for the introduction of service pipes into their premises are required to make written application therefor at the office of the Water Commissioners. The Commissioners may then proceed to lay the necessary service pipes to the interior of the building, provided all expenses incurred beyond the line of the street shall be paid by the owner of the premises, who shall thereafter maintain and keep the same in good order at his own cost; and the same shall be at all times subject to the control of the Commissioners. All applicants for whom the pipe is laid will be

charged for the use of one faucet whether the water is used or not, unless they pay all expense that has been incurred in laying such service pipe, and in no case will the main be tapped more than once for the same premises, unless the additional expense is borne by the owner.

The following water rates are established until further notice :

No connection made with the main pipe for any purpose for less than	\$6 00
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DWELLING-HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for the first faucet	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family,	2 00
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family	5 00
One faucet for each family	6 00
For first bathtub	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00
Each additional bathtub	2 00
For first pan or self-acting water closet	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet	2 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	
Laundry tub	3 00

BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet	\$10 00
Each additional faucet	3 00

First bathtub	\$10 00
Each additional bathtub	3 00
First pan or self-acting water closet	10 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet	3 00

PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse	\$5 00
Each additional horse	3 00
Each cow or ox	1 00

LIVERY, EXPRESS, AND BOARDING STABLES.

For the first four horses	\$12 00
From five to twelve horses, each	2 00

The above prices include water for washing carriages.

Offices, Stores, Markets, Barber Shops and Restaurants — When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling-houses.

Building Purposes — Each cast of lime or cement, \$0 05

HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows and similar uses, $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch nozzle, to be used only on premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year, \$5 00

For any use not herein enumerated, special rates will be made.

METER RATES.

For not over 1,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons	\$0 30
For over 1,000 gallons and not exceeding 2,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons	25
For over 2,000 gallons per day, per 1,000 gallons,	20

Provided that in no case where a meter is used shall the annual charge be less than \$8.

Meters will be supplied by the Water Commissioners, for which an annual rental will be charged as follows :

Size $\frac{5}{8}$ inch, \$2 per year.

Size $\frac{3}{4}$ inch, \$2 per year.

All needed repairs, damages by frost excepted, will be made at the expense of the town.

- Persons desirous of owning their meters will be supplied at cost.

JAMES F. SULLIVAN,

CHARLES A. WALES,

Water Commissioners.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH
RANDOLPH WATER WORKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1899	\$340 48
Received from Water Commissioners for water rates, service pipe, etc.	7,764 76
Received town appropriations :	
For hydrants, etc.	\$2,000 00
For sinking fund	2,500 00
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	4,500 00
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	\$12,605 24

EXPENDITURES.

Paid orders of Water Commissioners	12,548 16
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Balance on hand December 31, 1900	\$57 08

FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY MONTHS.

MONTH.	Receipts.	Payments.	Balance.
December, 1899			\$340 48
January, 1900	\$1,352 02	\$620 00	1,072 50
February	308 03	791 28	589 25
March	214 00	97 00	706 25
April	1,702 29	1,982 46	426 08
May	476 34	875 50	26 92
June	359 51	158 51	227 92
July	1,870 34	1,340 38	757 88
August	471 20	130 93	1,098 15
September	1,051 56	443 42	1,706 29
October	593 43	1,973 25	326 47
November	157 45	455 48	28 44
December	3,708 59	3,679 95	57 08
Totals	\$12,264 76	\$12,548 16	\$57 08

RANDOLPH, Mass., February 5, 1901.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
J. K. WILLARD,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH
WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

DR.

Balance on hand December 31, 1899	.	.	\$6,053 24
Received for town note	.	.	3,000 00
Received for town note	.	.	4,000 00
Maine Central bond	.	.	500 00
town appropriation	.	.	2,500 00

Received interest :

On town note \$4,000, six months	.	\$80 00
Old Colony R.R. bond, one year,		120 00
Maine Central bond, one year	.	30 00
town note \$15,000, six months	.	300 00
Town of Randolph bonds, one year,		880 00

On deposits in savings banks :

Abington	.	\$53 46	
North Easton	.	52 24	
Brockton	.	45 66	
Quincy	.	52 24	
Randolph	.	24 52	
Mass. Loan & Trust Co.,		79 52	
		<hr/>	307 64
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			1,717 64
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			\$17,770 88

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By amount paid for town note,	\$15,000 00	
paid for four town notes,	2,000 00	
deposited in savings		
banks	.	228 12
Cash balance, deposited in Mass.		
Loan & Trust Co.	.	542 76
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		\$17,770 88

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF WATER ACCOUNT DECEMBER 31, 1900.

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds outstanding: amount due, —

April 1, 1902	.	.\$10,000 00	
April 1, 1907	.	20,000 00	
April 1, 1912	.	20,000 00	
May 1, 1917	.	40,000 00	
May 1, 1918	.	20,000 00	
July 1, 1922	.	25,000 00	
July 1, 1926	.	8,000 00	
		<u>—————</u>	\$143,000 00
Interest due on bonds Dec. 31, 1900,		1,693 33	
		<u>—————</u>	\$144,693 33

ASSETS.

Amount of sinking fund	.	.\$48,582 87	
Cash in hands of Treasurer	.	57 08	
		<u>—————</u>	\$48,639 95

Net water debt, December 31, 1900 . . \$96,053 38

Net water debt, December 31, 1899	.	.\$99,987 62	
Net water debt, December 31, 1900	.	96,053 38	
		<u>—————</u>	
Decrease of water debt in 1900	.	\$3,934 24	

STATE OF THE RANDOLPH WATER LOAN
SINKING FUND DECEMBER 31, 1900.

1 Old Colony R.R. bond, registered 4 per cent,	\$3,000 00
22 Town of Randolph bonds, coupon 4 per cent,	22,000 00
1 Town of Randolph note, demand, 4 per cent,	15,000 00
4 Town of Randolph notes, serial 4 per cent,	2,000 00
On deposit in Abington Savings Bank . .	1,377 34
On deposit in North Eastern Savings Bank .	1,345 76
On deposit in Quincy Savings Bank . .	1,345 76
On deposit in Brockton Savings Bank . .	1,339 18
On deposit in Randolph Savings Bank . .	632 07
On deposit in Mass. Loan & Tust Co. . .	542 76
	\$48,582 87

RANDOLPH, MASS., February 7, 1901.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have examined the Sinking Fund, and find it to agree with the statement above made.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,
J. K. WILLARD,
R. P. BARRETT,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

The events of the past year affecting our financial standing have been uneventful, although our statement shows an increase in the town debt of \$1,133.

This increase is accounted for by the issue of notes amounting to \$2,000 to pay for the fire alarm system, and by the net amount of overdrawn accounts, \$700. From this total is deducted the amount of two serial notes paid in 1900, one of \$850 and one of \$500, the balance representing very nearly our net increase in debt.

It will be necessary for the Treasurer to ask at the next meeting an appropriation to cover the amount of the net overdraw, above appropriations.

The last of the ten year loans, amounting to \$3,000, to provide money for new streets will fall due June 19, 1901, and it is recommended that payment thereof be made by the issue of serial notes of \$300 each, running one to ten years.

The deposit of \$2,000 made by the Stoughton & Randolph Street Railway Company as a pledge for the faithful performance of the conditions of their franchise, is still in the National Exchange Bank, Boston, to the credit of the town.

The "Interest" account, also the account of Court Fees and Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths being especially in the province of the Treasurer, are presented in detail:

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

Paid on account of street loans:

\$8,500, one year, 4 per cent	.	\$340 00
\$4,500, one year, 4 per cent	. .	180 00

\$3,000, one year, 4 per cent . . .	\$120 00	
\$6,300, one year, 2 days, 4 per cent,	253 40	
	<hr/>	\$893 40

Paid on notes in anticipation of taxes :

\$3,000, one year, 3.40 per cent . . .	\$102 00	
\$4,000, six months, 4 per cent . . .	80 00	
\$10,000, 6 mos., 1 day, 3.20 per cent,	160 90	
\$10,000, 6 mos., 18 dys., 3.59 per cent,	197 45	
\$5,000, 6 mos., 2 dys., 3.20 per cent,	80 88	
\$10,000, four months, 3.44 per cent,	34 40	
\$23,000, six months, 3½ per cent,	402 50	
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Paid on all other notes :

\$21,600, one year, 4 per cent . . .	\$864 00	
\$15,000, six months, 4 per cent . . .	300 00	
\$15,000, 6 mos., 1 day, 3.25 per cent,	245 10	1,409 10
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Total interest paid		\$3,360 63

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Received town appropriation . . .	\$2,250 00	
interest on deposits	88 54	
interest on taxes	800 00	
premium on notes	229 46	
	<hr/>	\$3,368 00
Unexpended balance, \$7 37		

COURT FEES AND RECORDING BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

DR.

Paid Edwin F. Knight, court	
fees	\$37 28
John Haney, expenses,	5 75

Paid Thomas Farrell, court			
fees	\$13 76		
Frank J. Donahoe, court			
fees	5 57		
	<hr/>	\$62 36	
Paid A. L. Chase, returning			
births	3 00		
F. C. Granger, returning			
births	8 00		
F. P. Linfield, returning			
births	75		
A. J. Holt, returning			
births	25		
J. S. Sullivan, returning			
births	25		
F. W. Brett, returning			
births	25		
W. F. Holmes, returning			
births	3 50		
R. Houghton, returning			
deaths	15 25		
J. B. Wren, returning			
deaths	11 00		
Richard Forrest, canvass-			
ing	15 00		
Joseph T. Leahy, record-			
ing	63 45		
	<hr/>	120 70	
		<hr/>	\$183 06
CR.			
Amount of appropriation . . .		\$250 00	
Amount refunded by Quincy court .		53 99	
Received from sale of records .		16 50	
		<hr/>	\$320 49
Balance unexpended		\$137 43	

CONDENSED MONTHLY STATEMENTS.

MONTHS.	RECEIPTS.							EXPENDITURES.		BALANCE.
	Taxes.	Select-men, sundry accounts	Money borrowed on town Notes.	Interest.	Other towns, pauper account.	State Treasurer.	All other sources.	Orders of Selectmen.	Town notes.	
December, 1899,										\$7,735 72
January, 1900 .	\$500 00			\$16 49	\$10 00			\$1,926 78	\$3,000 00	3,325 43
February . . .	1,500 00			13 53				2,983 55	-	1,865 41
March	1,000 00	\$245 22	\$10,000 00	6 58		\$60 48		4,670 68	4,000 00	4,507 01
April	1,500 00		35,000 00	7 00			\$37 05	7,484 94	30,000 00	3,566 12
May	2,500 00	60 00		6 96			1 25	5,233 15		901 18
June	3,000 00	60 00	9,300 00	236 49			25 20	3,122 98	6,300 00	4,099 89
July	2,000 00	59 00						5,233 15		2,802 54
August	1,500 00	25 00	3,000 00	5 42				3,356 35	3,850 00	1,622 70
September . .	5,400 00	83 00		6 74			4 00	1,860 26	500 00	3,325 31
October . . .	15,600 00	100 00	2,000 00	5 26			36 65	7,791 27	10,000 00	3,275 95
November . .	3,000 00	60 00		2 47	14 25			3,066 28		3,286 39
December . .	2,911 75	243 04		811 06	373 08	10,779 76	814 56	10,317 10	3,000 00	5,902 54
Totals, 1900 .	\$40,411 75	\$935 26	\$59,300 00	\$1,118 00	\$397 33	\$10,840 24	\$918 71	\$55,104 47	\$60,650 00	\$5,902 54
Totals, 1899 .	41,554 33	1,250 10	58,500 00	1,199 99	913 00	11,815 71	709 75	53,215 83	56,000 00	7,735 72
Totals, 1898 .	38,635 06	749 01	70,000 00	1,259 25	761 48	9,362 30	1,135 33	59,500 30	65,000 00	1,008 39
Totals, 1897 .	41,436 20	1,071 25	67,000 00	956 64	998 50	8,726 78	719 66	56,965 45	64,500 00	3,606 26
Totals, 1896 .	35,000 00	996 28	57,600 00	1,595 51	1,028 75	9,575 60	610 81	54,560 79	53,600 00	4,152 68

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1899	\$7,735 72	
Borrowed on town notes :		
March 27, 6 mos. 18 days, anticipation of taxes at		
3.59 per cent.	\$10,000 00	
April 20, 1 year, antic'n of taxes at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.,	10,000 00	
April 27, 1 year, antic'n of taxes at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.,	10,000 00	
April 30, demand, refunding at 4 per cent.	15,000 00	
June 1, serial, refunding at 4 per cent.	6,300 00	
June 20, 1 year, antic'n of taxes at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	3,000 00	
Aug. 24, 4 mos., antic'n of taxes at 3.44 per cent.,	3,000 00	
Sept. 29, serial, fire alarm, at 4 per cent.	2,000 00	
	<u>59,300 00</u>	
Received on account of taxes : Of 1898	\$8,603 05	
Of 1899	9,374 88	
Of 1900	22,433 82	
	<u>40,411 75</u>	
Received from State Treasurer :		
Corporation tax, 1899	\$60 48	
Corporation tax, 1900	4,240 41	
National bank tax, 1900	1,850 95	
Military aid, 1899	294 00	
State aid, 1899	2,784 00	
Burial of soldier, 1899	35 00	
Inspector of animals	12 00	
Street railway tax	1,563 40	
	<u>10,840 24</u>	
Received from Selectmen for sundry accounts	935 26	
Received from other towns, pauper account :		
Boston	\$10 00	
Quincy	14 25	
Holbrook	373 08	
	<u>397 33</u>	
Received from interest : On deposits	\$96 24	
On taxes	800 00	
Premium on notes	221 76	
	<u>1,118 00</u>	
Received from School Committee :		
Interest on Coddington fund	\$64 00	
Massachusetts school fund	282 87	
Dog licenses refunded	387 10	
	<u>733 97</u>	

THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

Received from Fire Department :

For use of steamer by City of Quincy	105 00
Received for licenses of various kinds	9 25
Received from court fees and sale of records	70 49
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	\$121,657 01

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid orders of Selectmen	\$55,104 47
Paid town notes :	
Jan. 27, anticipation of taxes	\$3,000 00
March 30, anticipation of taxes	4,000 00
April 23, anticipation of taxes	10,000 00
April 30, anticipation of taxes	5,000 00
April 30, renewal	15,000 00
June 1, street loan	6,300 00
Aug. 1, street loan, serial	850 00
Aug. 28, anticipation of taxes	3,000 00
Sept. 13, highway plant, serial	500 00
Oct. 15, anticipation of taxes	10,000 00
Dec. 24, anticipation of taxes	3,000 00
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	60,650 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer Dec. 31, 1900	5,902 54
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	\$121,657 01

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

LIABILITIES.

Treasury notes :

Turner Library, 4 per cent . . .	\$5,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent .	10,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank, 4 per cent .	5,000 00
Coddington Fund, 4 per cent . . .	1,600 00
Water Loan Sinking Fund, 4 per cent,	15,000 00
Nine notes of \$850 each, 4 per cent	
(Allen st. and Highland av.) . . .	7,650 00
Ten notes of \$630 each, 4 per cent	
(Liberty and Lafayette streets) . .	6,300 00
One note, 4 per cent (Liberty, North	
and Lafayette streets)	3,000 00
Eight notes of \$500 each, 4 per cent.	
(highway plant)	4,000 00
Four notes of \$500 each, 4 per cent	
(fire alarm)	2,000 00
Three notes in anticipation of taxes .	23,000 00

 \$82,550 00

Interest on above notes (estimated), 556 29

 \$83,106 29

CASH ASSETS.

Unpaid taxes of 1899	\$9,744 36
Unpaid taxes of 1900	16,492 55
Interest due on taxes (estimated) .	1,942 35
State aid, to be refunded	2,728 00
Military aid, to be refunded	315 00
Burial expenses, to be refunded . .	140 00
Balance of corporation tax	60 85
Due from Milton, pauper account . .	115 98

Due from Boston, pauper account . . .	\$12 73	
Due from Quincy, pauper account . . .	18 75	
Due from Braintree, pauper account, . . .	60 00	
Due from Avon, pauper account . . .	25 70	
Due from Duxbury, pauper account, . . .	20 00	
Due from Concord, pauper account, . . .	8 70	
Cash in hands of Treasurer . . .	5,902 54	
	<hr/>	37,587 51
Net town debt December 31, 1900		\$45,518 78
Net town debt December 31, 1899		44 385 40
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Increase of debt in 1900		\$1,133 38

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,

Treasurer.

RANDOLPH, Mass., February 6, 1901.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts. We also find \$2,000 in excess of the above balance, which the Treasurer states has been posted as a forfeit by the Stoughton and Randolph Street Railway Company.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,

J. K. WILLARD,

R. P. BARRETT,

Auditors.

RECORDS OF TOWN MEETINGS IN 1900.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 5, 1900.

Pursuant to a warrant issued by the Selectmen of Randolph, dated February 19, 1900, duly served and returned by Michael F. Sullivan, Constable, calling on the inhabitants of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to take action on the thirty-eight articles contained therein, the qualified voters assembled in Stetson Hall, on Monday, March 5, 1900.

All the requirements of law preliminary to the opening of the polls were complied with, the oath of office being administered by the Town Clerk to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerks, who receipted for 1,260 regular and sixty special ballots.

A six o'clock A.M., the Town Clerk called the meeting to order, and having read the warrant and the officer's return thereon, called for action under

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Voted, no objection being offered, that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for John T. Flood for Moderator.

The ballot having been so cast, it was

Voted, to close the polls.

John T. Flood was declared elected Moderator, and took charge of the meeting.

The following election officers, appointed by the Selectmen, were called to take their respective stations, and the oath of office was administered by the Moderator:

Eugene L. McAuliffe and Samuel A. Foster, deputy ballot clerks; Fred L. Belcher, assistant at check list; Dexter T. Clark, assistant at ballot box.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required to be chosen by ballot, also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Voted, that we proceed to ballot for all such town officers as towns are by law authorized to choose at their annual meeting, viz.: a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, one Superintending School Committee, three Auditors, seven Constables, three Fish Wardens, one Trustee Stetson School Fund, one Water Commissioner and a Collector of Taxes; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?" That the polls shall be kept open until two o'clock P.M.; that Articles 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 37 and 38 of the warrant be referred to a committee of seven to be appointed by the Moderator, said committee to report at an adjournment of this meeting, and when this meeting adjourns it shall be to Monday, March 19, 1900, at 7.30 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of taking action upon report of said committee.

The following is the committee appointed by the Moderator:

John V. Beal.

John K. Willard.

Charles G. Hathaway.

Edward H. McMahon.

Franklin W. Hayden.

Arthur Hagney.

Edwin M. Mann.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of ballots, and the ballot box was examined, found to be in apparent good order, and shown to be empty.

During the time set for voting, the ballot box was four times opened, and the ballots removed therefrom, viz. :

At 9.05 o'clock A.M., when the register indicated 367 ballots cast.

At 11.00 o'clock A.M., when the register indicated 529 ballots cast.

At 11.50 o'clock A.M., when the register indicated 582 ballots cast.

At 1.30 o'clock P.M., when the register indicated 749 ballots cast.

The Moderator administered the oath of office to the following named persons appointed election tellers by the Selectmen :

Nelson Mann.	William F. Barrett.
Ezra Holbrook.	Franklin W. Hayden.
Daniel H. Huxford.	James D. Sheridan.
Walter H. Lyons.	Dominic J. Hand.
Frank H. Tileston.	Thomas J. Mackedon.
Frank H. Jaquith.	Fred H. Alden.

At two o'clock P.M. it was voted to close the polls. The Moderator counted out 770 ballots, and the ballot clerks' list and the check list each showed 770 names checked.

While the counting of the ballots was in progress, after the close of the polls, other Articles of the warrant were acted on as follows :

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

The following named persons were elected to fill the offices set against their respective names :

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Daniel B. White.	Joseph T. Leahy.
Charles D. Hill.	Royal T. Mann.
Eugene Thayer.	* Charles F. Bean.

POUND KEEPER.

* Timothy M. O'Leary.

FIELD DRIVERS.

John F. Burns, Jr.	Frank P. Dolan.
William Pulson.	Jesse E. Taber.
John E. Boyle.	James D. Fox.

Article 4. To choose a Tree Warden.

Elected as Tree Warden: * Royal T. Mann.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to amend the vote passed February 26, 1891, which designated the town officers to be placed upon the official ballot, so as to include the Tree Warden.

Voted, that the vote passed February 26, 1891, designating the officers to be placed upon the official ballot, shall be so amended as to include the office of Tree Warden.

Article 16. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Voted, unanimously, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Randolph, in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to not more than thirty-eight thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable

within one year from the time the loan is made, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum ; all debts incurred under this vote by the town shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 17. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or refund any or all notes of the town now outstanding that may be now due or on demand or that may become due during the present year.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested as a party of otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Voted, that the Selectmen be so authorized and appointed.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise, and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Voted, that the Water Commissioners be so authorized and appointed.

Article 34. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors

as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report, as required by law.

Voted to accept the list of Jurors as published, with the exception of four persons, who, at their own request, were excused.

The following is the list of Jurors accepted :

Atherton, Winthrop B.	Libby, H. Frank
Alden, F. Wayland	Mann, Edwin M.
Arth, Ernst	Mann, Lucius H.
Barrett, William F.	Mann, Nelson
Breitling, Gotlieb T.	Mahady, William
Bradley, Seth D.	McMahon, William F.
Burke, James	McDonald, Joseph
Clark, Dexter T.	McGaughey, Moses
Clark, George Melvin	McLaughlin, Patrick H.
Cole, Charles H.	Montsie, Frederick W.
Corliss, Simon B.	Niles, Amasa S.
Croak, William A.	Niles, Isaac
Donovan, Michael A.	Poole, Marcus M.
Dodge, Henry	Payne, Charles A.
English, Nicholas	Pope, David
Elliot, George A.	Porter, William
Foster, Joseph H.	Quinn, Edward
French, Fred M.	Roberts, William R.
Frizzell, William	Reynolds, George A.
Forrest, Richard	Scanlon, Maurice E.
Good, William	Snow, Hiram
Holbrook, Columbus	Stetson, Francis E.
Holbrook, Albert H.	Spear, William B.
Jones, Rufus	Taber, Edwin A.
King, Evander F.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Langley, Frank H.	Willard, John K.
Leahy, Joseph T.	

The ballots having been counted in open town meeting, declaration of the result was made as follows :

Whole number of ballots cast 770

FOR TOWN CLERK.

*†Joseph T. Leahy . 601 Blanks 169

FOR TOWN TREASURER.

†*Joseph T. Leahy . 551 Blanks 219

FOR SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

William A. Croak	. 248	†*Patrick H. McLaugh-	
†*Peter B. Hand	. 445	lin	. 442
Frank A. Long	. 296	†*Charles H. Thayer,	464
Blanks	. .		415

FOR SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

†*Royal T. Mann	. 503	Scattering	. . 1
Blanks	. .		266

FOR TRUSTEE STETSON HIGH SCHOOL FUND, THREE YEARS.

†*Royal T. Mann	. 459	Scattering	. . 2
Blanks	. .		309

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER, THREE YEARS.

†*James F. Sullivan	. 416	Daniel B. White	. 316
Blanks	. .		38

FOR AUDITORS.

*†Redmond P. Barrett,	393	William H. Leavitt,	223
†Michael F. Cunningham,	367	George A. Lovejoy,	155
Herbert F. French	. 286	†*John K. Willard	. 414
Blanks	. .		471

†Elected. * Oath of office taken.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

†*Fred M. French	. 542	Scattering	. . . 1
Blanks	. . . 227		

FOR CONSTABLES.

†*Frank J. Donahoe	. 534	E. Forest Knight	. 375
†*Thomas Farrell	. 460	E. Lawrence Payne,	186
†*Joseph H. Foster	. 488	†*Lincoln Stetson	. 469
†*John Haney	. 487	†*Michael F. Sullivan,	402
†*Frank W. Harris	. 408	Scattering	. . . 4
Blanks	. . . 1577		

FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

†*Edwin M. Mann	. 406	†*Stillman B. Wood-	
†*William Porter	. 386	man	. . . 395
Blanks	. . . 1118	Scattering	. . . 5

FOR FISH WARDENS.

George W. Hawes	. 260	S. Austin Thayer	. 234
Michael Kiley	. 261	†Charles A. Wales	. 292
†*John F. McMahon	. 265	Scattering	. . . 1
†George F. Taylor	. 279	Blanks	. . . 718

Shall the provisions of Chapter 344, Acts of 1899, entitled "An Act to make eight hours a day's work for city and town employees," be accepted?

Yes	. . . 400	No	. . . 159
Blanks	. . . 211		

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

Yes	. . . 325	No	. . . 375
Blanks	. . . 70		

After the declaration of the result the ballots, unused

ballots and both check lists were sealed up in open town meeting, and the packages properly endorsed by the Moderator, and at 5.45 o'clock P.M. it was

Voted, to adjourn.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 19, 1900.

The meeting adjourned from March 5, 1900, to this date was called to order at 7.30 o'clock P.M. by John T. Flood, Moderator.

Through some oversight the printed reports of the committee on appropriations were not received, and a recess of fifteen minutes was declared by the Moderator, pending the receipt and distribution of the same.

At 7.45 o'clock P.M. the meeting was called to order and it was

Voted, that the report of the committee on appropriations be accepted; after which action was taken on the respective articles as follows:

Article 6. To hear the report of the town officers and act thereon.

Voted, that the reports of the annual town officers for the year ending December 31, 1899, be accepted.

Article 7. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$11,100 be raised and appropriated as follows:

For teaching	\$7,200 00
Care of rooms	500 00
Fuel	400 00

Miscellaneous and incidental expenses and general repairs	\$800 00
Books and supplies	700 00
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	\$9,600 00
Less estimated revenue from dog tax, State school tax and Coddington fund	700 00
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	\$8,900 00

And that the sum of \$2,200 be raised and appropriated for the Stetson High School; and in addition thereto, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the trustees, for the support of said Stetson High School, the amount of bank tax received by him, and arising from the investment known as the Stetson School Fund.

It is also voted that the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized and directed to borrow, upon notes of the town of Randolph, such sums of money, not exceeding three thousand dollars, as may be required to pay the expenses incurred for the support of schools, including Stetson High School, from January 1, 1901, to March 1 in said year, and that said notes thus issued shall be a part of and be paid from the money raised and appropriated for the support of schools for the year 1901. Total, \$11,100.00.

Article 8. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$15,350 be raised and appropriated therefor as follows :

Miscellaneous expenses	\$1,700 00
Poor in almshouse	1,800 00
Poor out of almshouse	4,000 00
Soldiers' relief	400 00
Soldiers' relief in Randolph and Holbrook	600 00
Military aid	250 00

Town officers	\$2,400 00
Interest on town debt	2,250 00
Board of Health	100 00
Lockup expenses	250 00
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees	250 00
Reduction of town debt :	
Town note (highway plant), vote 1898	500 00
Town note, vote 1899	850 00
Total	<u>\$15,350 00</u>

Also that the interest on the taxes and deposits during the year 1900 be appropriated towards the payment of interest on the town debt. Also that the overlay tax of the current year be appropriated towards meeting any abatement of taxes which may be allowed.

Article 9. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and appropriated for the repairs of highways, including sidewalks, paving, and removal of snow, and, in addition thereto, the street railway tax for the current year, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,468 be raised and appropriated as follows :

For regular running expenses	\$1,000 00
pay of 54 men at \$12	648 00
services by the hour	250 00
fires in woodland	100 00
insurance and inspection	70 00
repairs	50 00
new hose	350 00
Total	<u>\$2,468 00</u>

Article 11. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the subject matter of this article be re-committed to the Fire Alarm Committee with instruction to investigate the feasibility of making use of telephone boxes for fire alarm purposes, and for the purpose of reorganizing the Fire Department, and report at a meeting to be held on the fourth Monday of April at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

Article 12. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R.

Voted, that the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund, as required by law to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan."

Voted, that the sum of \$2,500 be raised and contributed to the sinking fund to meet the payment of the "Randolph Water Loan" when due.

Article 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Voted, that this Article be referred to the Selectmen to make such contract with Charles Doughty as they may deem expedient, and that the sum of \$3,300 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to the notes maturing June 2, 1900.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer be authorized and directed to borrow the money for the payment of the town notes maturing June 2, 1900, at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, and that the town treasury note or notes approved by a majority of the Selectmen be issued therefor in such manner that \$630 of the amount so borrowed shall become due and payable in one year from the date of borrowing, and \$630 each year thereafter until the whole sum, \$6,300, shall become due and paid.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1900-1901, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1900-1901, and that the sum of \$120 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 20. To see what action the town will take with reference to the enlargement or improvement of the present school accommodations, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that action under this Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 21. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Voted, that the sum of \$200 be raised and appropriated to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 466 of the Acts of 1898, entitled "An Act relative to the employment of superintendents of schools by small towns," and will authorize the School Committee, if they deem it expedient, to arrange such union in accordance with the provisions of said act as may be most advantageous, subject, however, to the approval of the State

Board of Education, and will raise and appropriate money therefor.

It is recommended that action under this Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 23. To see if the town will raise money for repairs on the almshouse and barn.

Voted, that the sum of \$250 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 24. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Voted, that three-fourths of one per cent. be allowed for the collection of taxes.

Article 25. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, said sum to be apportioned equally among the several physicians, and to be in full for attendance upon all persons under the care of Overseers of the Poor for one year from January 1, 1900. That is to say, each physician resident in the town on the first of March, 1900, shall receive the sum of \$50 for his services provided he makes fifty visits during the year; after that he shall receive no compensation for his services, but shall attend such of the poor as may call upon him for his services; those physicians that make less than fifty visits shall receive pay at the rate of one dollar for each of said visits.

Article 26. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special police officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers, or direct officers elected by the town, to enforce all the laws of the Commonwealth, and that the sum of \$500 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 27. To see if the town will raise and appropriate five hundred dollars for the enforcement of the liquor laws, and appoint a committee who shall have power of expending said appropriation for the purpose specified therein, as petitioned for by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

This Article occasioned a lengthy discussion, after which, a motion to indefinitely postpone was, by a "yea" and "nay" vote, declared carried by the Moderator. The vote being doubted, a hand vote was called for, which resulted as follows :

In favor of indefinite postponement, one hundred and nine ; opposed to indefinite postponement, one hundred.

This vote being also doubted, the Moderator divided the house with the following result :

In favor of indefinite postponement, one hundred ; opposed to indefinite postponement, ninety-two ; and the Article was declared indefinitely postponed.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Voted, that each person employed by the town shall receive such sum of money as is equal to the value of his labor, and that the laborers residing in town and the residents owning teams shall be employed in preference to any others.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1900.

Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 35. To see if the town will raise and appropriate

money for the purpose of grading and surfacing the grounds about the Prescott schoolhouse.

Voted, that no action be taken under this Article.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise money to defray the expense of insuring the Turner Free Library building, together with the books, furniture, and fixtures belonging to said library, and also for the repair of said building.

Voted, that the sum of \$439.36 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 37. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place electric lights on High street, as petitioned for by Michael Ford and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that action under this Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 38. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

No committee reported.

Voted, that the sum of twenty dollars be paid to John T. Flood for services as Moderator at the annual and adjourned town meetings.

Mr. Flood, having expressed his thanks, directed the Treasurer to pay the above amount to the treasurer of Post 110, G. A. R., for its monument fund.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

"Resolved, that we extend our thanks to John V. Beal, John K. Willard, Charles G. Hathaway, Edward H. McMahon, Franklin W. Hayden, Arthur Hagney, and Edwin M. Mann, the Committee on Appropriations, for the care and deliberation exhibited in their recommendations, for the disposal of the Articles referred to them at the annual town meeting, March 5, 1900."

At 9.55 P.M. it was voted to dissolve.

The total appropriations are as follows :

For support of schools, under Article 7 . . .	\$11,100 00
general town expenses, under Article 8 . . .	15,350 00
highways, under Article 9	3,000 00
Fire Department, under Article 10	2,468 00
Grand Army Post No. 110, under Art. 12 . . .	100 00
contribution to sinking fund, under Art. 13, . . .	2,500 00
water for hydrants, public buildings, etc., under Article 14	2,000 00
street lighting by electricity, under Art. 15, . . .	3,300 00
insurance on Town Treasurer's bond, under Article 19	120 00
conveyance of pupils to the public schools, under Article 21	200 00
repairs on almshouse and born, under Arti- cle 23	250 00
medical attendance, under Article 25	300 00
enforcement of laws, under Article 26	500 00
insuring the Turner Free Library building, together with the books, furniture and fix- tures, and also for the repair of said build- ing, under Article 36	439 36
State tax	1,260 00
County tax	2,062 50
Total	<u>\$44,949 86</u>

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you

are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday, the twenty-third day of April, instant, at seven and one-half o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see what action the town will take in relation to a fire alarm system, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this eleventh day of April A.D. nineteen hundred.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,
Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest : MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable of Randolph.*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, April 23, 1900.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the voters of the Town of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall, on Monday, April 23, 1900, at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and return thereon, and called for a choice for Moderator under Article 1. John T. Flood was elected Moderator.

Article 2. Under this Article the Committee on Fire Alarm submitted a printed report, a copy of which was given to each voter, as follows :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRE ALARM.

To the Citizens of Randolph:

At the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1900, the matter of a fire alarm system was taken under consideration, and the merits of the Gamewell fire alarm and the merits of a telephone fire alarm were discussed.

After a brief discussion, it was voted to recommit to the Fire Alarm Committee the subject of fire alarm, and for the Committee to make an investigation of the telephone fire alarm system, and to reorganize the Fire Department, and to report at a town meeting to be held the 4th Monday in April, 1900.

Your Committee has made a thorough investigation of the telephone, and respectfully submit the annual cost of rental of the New England Telephone fire alarm, and the actual cost of constructing and owning of the Gamewell automatic fire alarm system.

Cost of New England Telephone fire alarm per year :

Switchboard for local calls, \$165 ; station at switchboard for operator, \$12 ; three trunk lines from the switchboard to the company's exchange switchboard, \$108 ; fifteen metallic circuits from the switchboard to the fifteen different telephone boxes, \$320 ; fifteen long distance wall sets, at the fifteen different locations for boxes, \$180 ; making a total of \$785 per year. And in addition to this \$785, the town will have

to furnish suitable boxes in which the telephones may be installed in any of the locations where boxes are placed, and the town will also have to furnish a whistle or gong, and a man to attend to whistle or gong, to pull in the alarm for each fire. At the lowest estimate a telephone fire alarm system will cost the town at least \$1,000 per year.

Mr. W. J. Denvir, Assistant General Manager, and Mr. George W. Conway, District Agent, both of the New England Telephone Co., stated to your committee, that their company did not recommend a telephone fire alarm system, and also said that a telephone fire alarm was worse than no alarm at all, for if there was no fire alarm system the people would shout fire, but that you could not depend upon a telephone for a correct fire alarm; and they said that, in their opinion, the only perfect fire alarm is the Gamewell automatic, which is sure to give the correct alarm every time; and they also stated that the rental that the town would have to pay to their company in three years would more than pay for the constructing and owning of the Gamewell automatic alarm.

Therefore, your Committee are again unanimous in recommending the Gamewell automatic fire alarm system, and recommend that 16 boxes be placed as follows, subject to any change that may be hereafter needed:

Box in Central square; box near No. 1 schoolhouse, South Main street; box near residence of E. F. Knight, South Main street; box near residence of Patrick H. McLaughlin, South street; box near residence of John Golden, Union street; box at junction of Cottage, Mill and North streets; box at the junction of Liberty and North streets; box at the junction of Oak and North streets; box near residence of A. J. Towns, West Corners; box at junction of Main and Liberty streets; box at junction of Allen and Roel streets; box at junction of Main and West streets;

box at junction of High and Lafayette streets, Tower Hill ; box at junction of Lafayette and West streets, Charles McCarthy's ; box at junction of Warren and Fowler streets ; box in Depot square, Warren street.

The cost of the above Gamewell fire alarm system is as follows :

16 boxes, \$800 ; 10 miles of wire, \$600 ; whistle machine and valve, \$325 ; 10-inch whistle, \$65 ; battery, \$25 ; two galvanometers, \$25 ; house for whistle machine, \$25 ; stable gong, \$25 ; 16 glass-front boxes for keys, \$48 ; making a total of \$1,938. This includes the buying and setting of all poles that are needed, and the covering of wire going through trees, crossing other wires, and wherever it is required to be covered. The Gamewell alarm will make a perfect system, and when it is completed it will belong to the town, and there will be no annual rent to be paid.

The cost of maintenance will be from \$100 to \$150 per year, but this Gamewell fire alarm system will in time save the cost of its construction and maintenance, for it will be the means of saving taxable property from fire, and save part of the money that is now paid to firemen, for there will be no need of the whole fire department responding to every fire alarm, as is now the case.

In reference to re-organization of the Fire Department : Your Committee cannot take part in the re-organization of the Fire Department, as the laws of Massachusetts say that the Engineers of the Fire Department shall be appointed by the Selectmen, and the engineers shall have full charge of the Fire Department.

Your Committee on Fire Alarm recommend that the sum of \$2,000 be appropriated to pay for the above named Gamewell fire alarm system, and that the Town Treasurer be instructed to borrow the sum of \$2,000, on four notes of

\$500 each, payable at the rate of \$500 a year, to pay for said Gamewell fire alarm.

WILLIAM A. CROAK, *Chairman*,
 DANIEL J. BRENNAN,
 HENRY F. ROONEY, *Secretary*,
 JOHN A. HOYE,
 HORACE F. LIBBY,

Committee on Fire Alarm.

Randolph, April 11th, 1900.

Voted, that the report of the Committee be accepted.

Voted (affirmative 90, negative 10), that the engineers, with the approval of the Committee on Fire Alarm, purchase for the town a Gamewell automatic fire alarm system, the cost of the same not to exceed \$2,000, and that the Town Treasurer be authorized and directed to borrow the money for the payment thereof at a rate not exceeding five per cent. per annum, and that the Town Treasury note or notes approved by a majority of the Selectmen be issued therefor in such manner that \$500 of the amount so borrowed shall become due and payable in one year from the date of borrowing, and \$500 each year thereafter until the whole sum of \$2,000 shall become due and paid.

Voted to dissolve.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

ELECTION WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph, in said County,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of

the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, to assemble in Stetson Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the sixth day of November next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in to the Selectmen on one ballot their votes for: Electors of President and Vice-President; for Governor; for Lieutenant-Governor; for Secretary of the Commonwealth; for Treasurer; for Auditor; for Attorney General; for a Representative in Congress; for a Councillor for District Number Two; for a Senator for the First Norfolk District; for a Representative in the General Court for the Seventh Norfolk District; for a County Commissioner in and for Norfolk County; for a Register of Deeds in and for Norfolk County; and for a County Treasurer.

The polls for the reception of the ballots aforesaid will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and will remain open for four hours, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the day and hour of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Give under our hands at Randolph this twenty-second day of October A.D. one thousand nine hundred.

PETER B. HAND,
PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable.*

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, assembled in Stetson Hall, on Tuesday, November 6, 1900.

The polling booths were prepared in accordance with the provisions of law, and cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted outside of the booths.

The oath of office was administered to Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson, ballot clerks, and a package containing 1300 ballots was delivered to them, their receipt being taken therefor. The oath of office was also administered to Fred M. French, assistant at check list, and to Eugene L. McAuliffe and William A. Croak, deputy ballot clerks. Thomas Farrell and Michael F. Sullivan served as officers at the gates.

The warrant was read by Peter B. Hand, chairman of the Selectmen, and at six o'clock A.M. the polls were declared open.

The ballot box was opened and shown to be empty, and, being again locked, the key was given to the officer at the gate.

The oath of office was administered to the following named election tellers :

John K. Willard.	Ezra Holbrook.
Rufus A. Thayer.	Walter H. Lyons.
Nelson Mann.	Royal T. Mann.
William F. Kane.	James F. Sullivan.
Franklin W. Hayden.	Frank H. Jaquith.
Frank A. Long.	Dominick J. Hand.

Voted, that the polls be kept open until two o'clock P.M.

The ballot box failed to register correctly throughout the day.

During the time set for voting, the ballot box was opened four times and ballots removed therefrom, viz. :

At 8.25 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 336 ballots cast.

At 9.50 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 496 ballots cast.

At 10.40 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 585 ballots cast.

At 1.00 o'clock P.M., when the register showed 800 ballots cast.

At 2 o'clock P.M. it was voted to close the polls.

The register of the ballot box showed 870 ballots, but the ballot clerks' list and the election officers' list each showed 887 names checked, and the presiding officer counted out 887 ballots.

The ballots having been sorted and counted in open town meeting, declaration of the result was made as follows :

FOR ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

Democratic electors, each	.	.	.	.	.	432
Democratic Social electors, each	.	.	.	.	.	24
Socialist Labor electors, each	.	.	.	.	.	0
Republican electors, each	.	.	.	.	.	352
Prohibition electors, each	.	.	.	.	.	4
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	75

FOR GOVERNOR.

Michael T. Berry	.	18	John M. Fisher	.	3
Charles H. Bradley	.	24	Robert Treat Paine, Jr.,	.	361
W. Murray Crane	.	333	Blanks	.	148

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates	.	350	Moritz E. Ruther	.	12
John B. O'Donnell	.	358	George H. Wrenn	.	21
Wilber M. Purrington,	.	6	Blanks	.	140

FOR SECRETARY.

Addison W. Barr	. 26	William H. Partridge,	6
Alfred E. Jones	. 16	Luther Stephenson	. 329
William M. Olin	. 326	Blanks	. . . 184

FOR TREASURER.

Edward S. Bradford,	335	Fred A. Nagler	. 13
Joseph L. Chalifoux,	309	Stephen O'Shaughnessy,	41
Napoleon B. Johnson,	6	Blanks	. . . 183

FOR AUDITOR.

Elbridge Gerry Brown,	329	Henry E. Turner	. 305
Frank Albin Forsstrom,	15	Frank S. Nash	. 21
William G. Merrill	. 9	Blanks	. . . 208

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

John A. Billings	. 31	Hosea M. Knowlton,	325
Allen Coffin	. . 8	Frank MacDonald	. 17
John C. Crosby	. 310	Blanks	. . . 196

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, TWELFTH DISTRICT.

George J. Hunt	. 14	Charles E. Lowell	. 24
Charles F. King	. 371	Herman T. Regnell	. 3
William C. Lovering,	335	Blanks	. . . 140

FOR COUNCILLOR, SECOND DISTRICT.

Max Boewe	. . 23	Thomas T. Watt	. 315
Arthur A. Maxwell	. 329	Blanks	. . . 220

FOR SENATOR, FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT.

William C. Deagle	. 32	Eugene H. Sprague,	326
Edwin C. Jenney	. 333	Blanks	. . . 196

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT, SEVENTH
NORFOLK.

Henry L. Blanchard,	336	William F. Harding,	20
John J. Collins	. 473	Blanks	. . . 58

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, NORFOLK.

John Cavanaugh	. 390	James Hewins	. 326
Blanks	. . 171		

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS, NORFOLK.

John H. Burdakin	. 541	Scattering	. 2
Blanks	. . 344		

FOR COUNTY TREASURER, NORFOLK.

Charles H. Smith	. 475	Scattering	. 1
Blanks	. . 412		

The ballots, unused ballots and both check-lists were sealed up in open town meeting, returns made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and at 5.50 o'clock P.M. it was voted to dissolve the meeting.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

MEETING OF TOWN CLERKS.

RANDOLPH, MASS., Nov. 16, 1900.

We, the undersigned, Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph, comprising Representative district number seven, in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at an election duly held at the respective towns aforesaid on the sixth day of November, 1900, to vote for one Representative, the following votes were given :

	A.	H.	R.	Total
Henry Lawton Blanchard, of Avon,	156	246	336	738
John J. Collins, of Avon . . .	197	130	473	800
William F. Harding, of Avon . .	39	75	20	134
Blanks	14	37	58	109
Total of each town and the district,	406	488	887	1781

In accordance with the above vote, John J. Collins, of Avon, was declared elected and certificates to that effect were duly signed.

MORTIMER D. RICHARDSON, *Town Clerk of Avon.*

ZENAS A. FRENCH, *Town Clerk of Holbrook.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk of Randolph.*

APPOINTMENTS RECORDED IN 1900.

Special Police with pay : John Haney.

Special Police without pay : Edgar B. Makepeace, James H. Meaney, Thomas J. Kiernan, E. Lawrence Payne, Frank H. Jaquith, Edwin F. Knight, John P. Rooney, Thomas B. Jones.

Superintendent of Streets : Stillman B. Woodman.

Superintendent of Almshouse : Timothy M. O'Leary.

Field Driver : Adoniram A. Payne.

Registrar of Voters : James Fardy.

Inspector of Animals and Provisions : Lincoln Stetson.

Keeper of Lockup : Arthur W. Alden.

Jurors drawn in 1900.— Traverse : Lucius H. Mann, William R. Roberts, Nicholas English, Frank H. Langley, Dexter T. Clark, Moses McGaughey, Joseph H. Foster, Nelson Mann, Rufus A. Thayer. Grand juror : William Porter.

TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1900.

The number of intentions of marriage, marriages, births and deaths recorded during the year 1900 was as follows :

MONTHS.	Intentions of Marriage.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.
January	3	4	3	7
February	1	2	6	6
March	1	2	10	9
April	1	1	5	8
May	4	3	9	6
June	6	6	7	4
July	0	1	8	4
August	1	1	4	9
September	2	1	2	11
October	3	4	6	3
November	8	7	10	7
December	1	3	5	7
Totals	31	35	75	81

Whole number of births recorded	75
Males	45
Females	30
Parents, both native born	49
both foreign born	15
one native, one foreign	11
Whole number of deaths	81
Males	50
Females	31
Under five years of age	17
Between 5 and 10 years	3
10 and 20 years	3
20 and 30 years	4
30 and 40 years	4
40 and 50 years	4
50 and 60 years	8
60 and 70 years	11
70 and 80 years	13
80 and 90 years	12
Unknown	2
Whole number of intentions of marriage	31
Whole number of marriages	35
Couples both native born	27
both foreign born	2
one foreign, one native	6

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1900.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	AGE.
Jan. 2.	Jeremiah E. Sullivan . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Clara E. Foster . . .	Webster, Mass. . .	23
3.	John A. Sylvester, Jr. . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Blanche L. Rounds . . . (Butterfield)	Randolph . . .	34
6.	Peter B. Ordway . . .	Brockton . . .	23
	Bertha Mae Baker . . .	Brockton . . .	21
20.	Herbert A. Knowles . . .	Randolph . . .	21
	Carrie E. Holbrook . . .	Randolph . . .	20
Feb. 9.	Edwin Scott Harvey . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Julia Eva Sweeney . . .	South Braintree . . .	18
21.	Joseph M. McGaughey . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Agnes G. Crone . . .	Boston . . .	23
March 16.	John J. Prior . . .	Randolph . . .	31
	Lillian M. Wade . . .	Brockton . . .	18
21.	Benjamin F. Thompson . . .	Winchester . . .	32
	Bertha G. Young . . .	Winchester . . .	33
April 18.	Bertram C. Tirrell . . .	Randolph . . .	28
	Beulah M. Allen . . .	Randolph . . .	28
May 8.	John J. Golden . . .	Randolph . . .	29
	Mary A. Egan . . .	Brockton . . .	26
17.	Percy C. Crockett . . .	Randolph . . .	33
	Carrietta Rhodes . . .	Lynn . . .	38
22.	George W. Jones . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Annie M. White . . .	Randolph . . .	21
June 6.	Charles L. Crovo . . .	Randolph . . .	21
	Katherine F. Mahoney . . .	Dorchester . . .	18

DATE.		NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	AGE.
June	20.	James E. Sanderson . . .	Randolph . . .	21
		Bertha I. Genders . . .	Holbrook . . .	18
	21.	Timothy Griffin . . .	Randolph . . .	30
		Hannah Kelley . . .	Randolph . . .	26
	27.	Edmund J. Barry . . .	Randolph . . .	25
		Agnes F. McCarthy . . .	Middleboro . . .	24
28.	Leonard W. Packard . . .	Lynn . . .	25	
	Elizabeth W. Belcher . . .	Randolph . . .	26	
30.	Charles E. May . . .	Avon . . .	27	
	J. Gertrude Thayer . . .	Randolph . . .	23	
July	3	John J. Shea . . .	Braintree . . .	23
		Margaret A. McGaughey . . .	Randolph . . .	23
Aug.	15.	Francis T. Mackedon . . .	Randolph . . .	35
		Annie J. Daly . . .	Holbrook . . .	32
Sept.	12.	Edson N. Roel . . .	Randolph . . .	21
		Hattie E. Saunders . . .	Randolph . . .	20
Oct.	3.	Frank A. Long . . .	Randolph . . .	30
		Alice R. Collins . . .	Waltham . . .	26
	18.	Ray P. Blanchard . . .	Randolph . . .	21
		Lizzie M. Collier . . .	Avon . . .	19
	18.	Thomas K. Perry . . .	Brockton . . .	28
		Lottie Edna Holbrook . . .	Randolph . . .	20
	29.	H. Webster Hayden . . .	Randolph . . .	44
		May E. Card . . .	Randolph . . .	40
	(Thompson)			
	Nov.	15.	David Matheson . . .	Randolph . . .	25
Ida J. Morse . . .			Randolph . . .	21
21.		Michael E. Leahy . . .	Randolph . . .	25
		Margaret A. Reilly . . .	Randolph . . .	26
21.		John J. Brady . . .	Randolph . . .	24
		Margaret F. Crone . . .	Randolph . . .	22
22.		Hiram E. Hayden . . .	Randolph . . .	19
		Cora L. Lothrop . . .	Avon . . .	19
28.		Richard F. Forrest . . .	Randolph . . .	27
		Bridget E. Dunn . . .	Randolph . . .	22

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCES.	AGE.
Nov. 28.	Dennis E. Good . . .	Randolph . . .	27
	Mary F. Scanlon . . .	Randolph . . .	25
29.	Frank H. Cullen . . .	Randolph . . .	37
	Julie E. Sheehan . . .	Randolph . . .	23
Dec. 1.	George E. English . . .	Randolph . . .	17
	Catherine A. Dear . . .	Randolph . . .	18
16.	Irving Daniel Bailey . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	Gertrude Luella Colburn . . .	Randolph . . .	22
19.	August J. Nelson . . .	Randolph . . .	28
	Emma C. Anderson . . .	Randolph . . .	20

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1900.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1899.			
Jan. 9.	Allen Fay Spear . .	M.	W. Ray and Hattie Maude—Fay
July 3.	— Gracy . . .	F.	John and Annie—McDonald
1900.			
Jan. 8.	Eleanor Sullivan . .	F.	John A. and Annie E.—Lynch
13.	Laurietta Roleau . .	F.	Esdas and Pomlian—Drana
21.	Gladys Udine Hiatt . .	F.	James and Essie—White
Feb. 2.	Irene Doyon . . .	F.	Alfred and Florida—Bizier
12.	— Illegitimate.	F.	
14.	Henry Morgan . . .	M.	Edward H. and Bridget A.—Shay
16.	Katherine Long . . .	F.	James F. and Mary J.—Hand
22.	Hattie E. Neary . . .	F.	James E., Jr., and Lillian—Pendergrass
25.	Joseph F. McGerigle . .	M.	John and Nellie F.—Printy
Mar. 16.	Joseph F. O'Keefe . .	M.	Cornelius and Catherine—Gaines
19.	Mary Alice Clark . . .	F.	John E. and Kate F.—Toomey
19.	Joseph Leo Keating . .	M.	William E. and Jennie D.—Prior
20.	Thomas Edward Daly . .	M.	William H. and Annie B.—Leslie
20.	Anna Leahy . . .	F.	Joseph T. and Sarah A.—Farquhar
21.	Earl W. Harvey . . .	M.	Edwin S. and Julia E.—Sweeney
21.	Robert H. Abbott . . .	M.	Philip H. and Isabelle S.—Moreshead
22.	Robert Benson . . .	M.	William F. and Josephine A.—Howe
27.	John J. Sullivan, Jr. . .	M.	John J. and Mary E.—Dempsey
27.	Lucy M. Burrell . . .	F.	George P. and Susie E.—Jones
April 2.	— Illegitimate . . .	M.	
9.	Carl Austin . . .	M.	James E. and Mamie—Fogg
22.	— Stillborn . . .	M.	
24.	Kenneth B. Hutchinson . .	M.	George S. and Hattie A.—Blanchard
28.	Roderick A. White . . .	M.	Harry E. and Effie A.—Morrison
May 4.	Joseph E. Beale . . .	M.	Samuel G. and Emma L. Peterson
7.	Helen M. White . . .	F.	George E. and Eva—Marlin
8.	Albert L. Bohin . . .	M.	August and Hannah—Anderson
15.	Annie Carroll . . .	F.	William H. and Mary A.—O'Connor
18.	Walter W. Larsen . . .	M.	Peter and Marian—Truelson
21.	Alice F. Rooney . . .	F.	John W. and Alice G.—Foley
26.	Mildred Nina Mann . . .	F.	George E. and Della M.—Morse
27.	Isabelle Dolan . . .	F.	Thomas F. and Catherine J.—Pope
June 12.	Marguerite O'Keefe . . .	F.	Bartholomew and Hannah A.—Ahern
18.	Douglas E. Mann . . .	M.	Rufus E. and Mary E.—Grattan
23.	Edgar G. Duly . . .	M.	Henry S. and Marjorie—Robb
23.	Verna Irene Mahady . .	F.	William H. and Ellen E.—Noonan
23.	William Carney . . .	M.	William F. and Kate M.—Mullins
26.	— Stillborn . . .	M.	
29.	Lillian Desmond . . .	F.	John and Annie—Bresnihan
July 2.	Jeremiah Delaney . . .	M.	Patrick and Bridget—Collins

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July 3.	Anna Brady . . .	F.	Andrew J. and Mary E.—Fox
7.	Helen F. Foster . . .	F.	Joseph H. and Annie M.—Reilly
10.	Margaret M. Golden . . .	F.	Daniel J. and Mary E.—Dowling
23.	Harold Kane . . .	M.	Charles E. and Mary—Kennedy
26.	— Mann . . .	F.	Frank M. and Julia A.—Delano
28.	Mary Ann Curry . . .	F.	Hugh and Margaret A.—Troy
Aug. 8.	Raymond E. Bradshaw . . .	M.	Harry E. and Charlotte E.—Gillespie
14.	Emery Everett Delano . . .	M.	Archie W. and Belle R.—Marchant
15.	Elmer Smith . . .	M.	Fred and Florence—Haeney
30.	Edward H. Keith . . .	M.	Fred R. and Mary E.—Reardon
Sept. 16.	William L. Pulson, Jr. . . .	M.	William L. and Annie G.—Nightingale
30.	Luke Mulligan . . .	M.	Luke and Bridget A.—Harty
Oct. 2.	William J. Shepard . . .	M.	William H. and Mary E.—O'Connor
2.	Waldon E. Ireland . . .	M.	William E. and Georgie C.—Knight
8.	Richard Walsh . . .	M.	John B. and Mary Ellen—Dwyer
15.	Francis E. Good . . .	M.	James J. and Annie M.—Foley
22.	Henry D. Gill . . .	M.	William and Ellen—O'Leary
31.	Elsie May Taber . . .	F.	Jesse E. and Minnie—Dushame
Nov. 7.	Olive M. Jones . . .	F.	George W. and Annie M.—White
11.	Ray C. Kiley . . .	M.	Thomas P. and Alice M.—Holbrook
11.	— Illegitimate . . .	M.	
12.	Chester Eliot Claff . . .	M.	Mark B. and Mary—Hameson
19.	Frank L. Mahony . . .	M.	} Frank D. and Emma J.—Thompson
19.	Fred L. Mahony } twins,	M.	
21.	Mary Heney . . .	F.	Joseph J. and Katie J.—White
22.	Francis McCarthy . . .	M.	Jeremiah J. and Mary—McCarthy
29.	Ellen A. Nelson . . .	F.	August and Emma—Anderson
30.	Roy Albert Holt . . .	M.	Albert J. and Florence I.—Putney
Dec. 2.	Ernest J. G. Taws . . .	M.	William B. and Lillian—Godsland
2.	Charles Leo Williams . . .	M.	Arthur L. and Annie—Killelea
18.	Bert G. Hanselpaker . . .	M.	Edwin N. and Ida M.—Martin
20.	Lucy H. Hall . . .	F.	Charles L. and Sophia H.—Vincent
31.	— Burrell . . .	F.	Henry G. and Emily F.—Hunt

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1900.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Jan.	5. John T. McAuliffe .	34	7	10	Tuberculosis . .	Randolph
	10. Leroy B. French .	20	7	17	Tuberculosis . .	Holbrook
	16. Jane Farrell .	80	—	—	Hemorrhage of brain	Ireland
	19. Charles E. Belcher .	56	7	16	Consumption . .	Randolph
	22. James Gogan .	66	—	—	Tumor of bowels .	Ireland
	25. Cecelia B. Campion .	67	—	—	Epilepsy . . .	South Boston
	27. Nathan A. Tolman .	76	10	9	Bright's disease .	E. Stoughton
Feb.	4. Frederick S. Howard .	41	9	16	Typhoid fever, heart failure	Randolph
	5. Julius E. Mann .	29	2	19	Consumption . .	Randolph
	9. Lawrence Ormsby .	76	—	—	Gastritis . . .	Ireland
	13. Mary Doyon .	—	—	10	Infantile . . .	Randolph
	18. Isannah H. Littlefield	88	11	10	Fatty degen. of heart .	Randolph
	18. Catherine E. Delaney	11	10	18	Hemorrhage of brain	Brockton
Mar.	8. John M. Curran .	60	—	—	Entero-colitis . .	Ireland
	9. Lucy Mildred Dolan .	—	5	3	Tubercular meningitis	Randolph
	12. Ann Crosby .	73	—	—	Hematuria . . .	Ireland
	18. Hannah E. Faunce .	53	3	15	Pneumonia . . .	Randolph
	21. Frances J. Brady .	33	7	7	Pulmon'y tuberculosis	Randolph
	21. Almira Fowle .	84	—	—	Pneumonia . . .	Newburyport
	22. Charles H. Belcher .	58	10	25	Typhoid pneumonia .	Randolph
	23. Edward Wall .	80	—	—	Chronic cystitis . .	Ireland
	30. John J. McGuckin .	44	—	26	Acute gastritis . .	Randolph
	April 1. Elsie E. Jensen .	69	9	—	Abscess of liver . .	Denmark
	7. Thomas Devine .	—	—	—	Chronic cardiac dilatation	Ireland
	11. Ellen M. French .	84	9	23	Old age . . .	Barnstable
	12. Dorothy G. Fischer .	3	3	—	Meningitis . . .	Randolph
	17. Hugh Clark .	73	—	—	Disease of heart . .	Ireland
	22. — .	—	—	—	Stillborn . . .	Randolph
	22. Dennis Doonan .	—	—	2	Jaundice . . .	Randolph
	23. Peter McConaty .	69	—	—	Cerebral hemorrhage .	Ireland
	May 8. May E. Newton .	8	3	7	Cerebro-spinal meningitis	Fairfield, Me.
	10. George E. White .	35	7	24	Typhoid bilious fever	Randolph
	21. Horace A. Hatch .	64	2	7	Malaria, paralysis .	Northumberland, N.H.
	23. Timothy W. Manning	7	6	9	Diphtheria . . .	Randolph
	31. John W. Kelly .	84	8	24	Old age . . .	Weymouth
	31. Lincoln F. Cobb .	80	6	2	Asthma, heart failure	Eastham
	June 7. Thomas Daly .	—	—	—	Abdominal tumor .	Ireland
	14. Catherine Flynn .	73	—	—	Chronic cardiac dilatation	Ireland
	26. — .	—	—	—	Stillborn . . .	—
	30. Charles V. Clay .	77	4	26	Chronic bronchitis .	Gardner, Me.
	July 10. Harriet E. Winnett .	87	4	9	Old age . . .	Boston
	13. Wade Carlton Belcher	19	8	25	Phthisis . . .	Randolph
	15. Alice Vaughn .	84	—	—	Old age . . .	Ireland
	27. John O'Sullivan .	65	—	—	Disease of heart . .	Ireland

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.		
Aug. 6.	William D. S. Fernald	74	4	28	Heart disease . . .	South Boston
7.	Margaret O'Keefe . . .	—	1	26	Fermental diarrhoea . . .	Randolph
10.	Catherine Long . . .	—	5	24	Cardiac failure . . .	Randolph
11.	Earl E. Wade . . .	1	2	11	Cholera infantum . . .	Lynn
19.	Caroline E. Veazie . . .	83	4	25	Cerebral softening . . .	Randolph
23.	William Carney . . .	—	2	—	Cholera infantum . . .	Randolph
26.	Daniel D. Donnelly . . .	1	—	5	Cholera infantum . . .	Braintree
26.	Carl E. Austin . . .	—	4	17	Cholera infantum . . .	Randolph
29.	John Moore . . .	61	—	—	Dysentery . . .	Ireland
Sept. 7.	James Dean . . .	58	—	—	Dysentery . . .	Ireland
9.	George R. Weaver . . .	68	—	—	Cystitis . . .	Wales, Mass.
11.	Jonathan S. Niles . . .	80	5	12	Consumption . . .	Randolph
19.	Clarence G. Holbrook . . .	9	2	—	Diphtheria . . .	Randolph
20.	Samuel B. Shaw . . .	76	4	16	Apoplexy . . .	Randolph
22.	Patrick Mahoney . . .	60	—	—	Bronchitis, septicoemia . . .	Ireland
24.	Sarah W. Wilbur . . .	83	3	21	Asthma . . .	Randolph
27.	Francis Heney . . .	2	6	22	Dysentery . . .	Randolph
27.	Franklin Alger . . .	71	2	26	Acute intestinal obstruction . . .	Abington
30.	Ellen Keith . . .	59	—	—	Septic infection . . .	Ireland
30.	Clark P. Fairbanks . . .	76	11	16	Old age . . .	Randolph
Oct. 1.	Mary Ellen Collins . . .	—	10	14	Marasmus . . .	Randolph
16.	Judith M. Swindells . . .	14	1	10	Heart disease . . .	Lowell
17.	Mary Sheridan . . .	74	—	—	Heart disease . . .	Ireland
Nov. 7.	Mary E. Johnson . . .	61	—	2	Intestinal tuberculosis . . .	Stoughton
10.	Mary E. Golden . . .	33	—	—	Nephritis, abscess . . .	Ireland
11.	— . . .	—	—	—	Stillborn . . .	Randolph
15.	William J. Shepard . . .	—	1	13	Bronchitis . . .	Randolph
17.	Peter B. Hand . . .	57	6	12	Heart failure . . .	Randolph
20.	Samuel J. Hamilton . . .	47	8	14	Typhoid fever . . .	Randolph
23.	Lillian Desmond . . .	—	4	23	Tuberculosis . . .	Randolph
Dec. 2.	Herbert A. Knowles . . .	22	4	14	Tuberculosis . . .	Litchfield, Me.
5.	Samuel L. Chessman . . .	56	3	6	Typhoid fever . . .	Randolph
6.	Charles Heney . . .	49	—	—	Carcinoma . . .	Randolph
10.	James Ray . . .	66	—	—	Nephritis . . .	Ireland
16.	Hannah J. Connelly . . .	20	7	14	Phthisis . . .	Ireland
17.	Harriet E. McAuley . . .	73	3	17	Inanition . . .	St. John, N.B.
21.	Sarah M. Shaw . . .	73	1	24	Hepatitis . . .	Randolph

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice in compliance with Sec. 17 of Chap. 444, Acts of 1897, that he is prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for returns as required by law.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Epilepsy, Bright's disease, infantile, entero-colitis, hematuria, abscess, jaundice, paralysis, diarrhoea, cerebral softening, apoplexy, intestinal obstruction, septic infection, marasmus, cancer, hepatitis, one each.

Tumor, gastritis, cystitis, diphtheria, asthma, nephritis, two each.

Hemorrhage of brain, meningitis, pneumonia, stillborn, bronchitis, dysentery, three each.

Typhoid fever, cholera infantum, four each.

Consumption, five.

Tuberculosis, old age, six each.

Heart disease, ten.

Total, 81.

INTERMENTS

AT RANDOLPH OF PERSONS DYING ELSEWHERE IN 1900.

Date of Death.		NAME.	AGE.			PLACE OF DEATH.
			Y.	M.	D.	
1899.						
June 9.		Ulric A. Miller . . .	30	—	—	Santiago, Cuba
1900.						
Jan.	1.	George Henry Wilbur . .	57	11	16	Brookline
	3.	Thomas Nolan . . .	77	—	—	Cambridge
	4.	Lorena M. White . . .	99	2	27	Fairhaven
	5.	Margaret Boyle . . .	79	—	—	Holbrook
Feb.	1.	William Campbell . . .	48	11	20	New York
	8.	Clarence T. Stetson . .	27	—	—	Boston
Mar.	9.	Ira De Witt Page . . .	61	5	—	Brookline
	10.	John E. Kelleher . . .	16	5	11	Holbrook
	24.	Hannah F. Alden . . .	71	—	—	East Orange, N.J.
	28.	Alexina Gaudreau . . .	31	—	—	Braintree
April	10.	John Desmond . . .				Providence, R.I.
	26.	Maria L. Howard . . .	61	7	10	Hyde Park
May	14.	Clarence B. Wilbur . .	31	10	6	Brookline
June	9.	Jane Kennedy . . .	69	—	—	Holbrook
	26.	George O'Neill . . .	4	4	4	Holbrook
July	8.	James O'Neill . . .	6	—	13	Boston
	20.	Joseph E. Tower . . .	55	11	17	Boston
Aug.	23.	Bridget McLaughlin . .	72	—	—	Dorchester
	26.	Irene Cronin . . .	2	8	8	Lynn
	31.	Julia Geary . . .	82	—	—	Avon
Sept.	15.	Henry W. Thayer . . .	55	11	29	Togus, Me.
	20.	Aurelie Fortier . . .	71	—	—	Braintree
Oct.	11.	Michael Houlihan . . .	—	—	3	Milton
	16.	Thomas Hickey . . .	—	—	1	Holbrook
	28.	William Lynch . . .	87	—	—	Boston
Dec.	1.	Charles W. Thayer . . .	48	7	7	Braintree
	30.	Frank A. Fisher . . .	35	9	15	Braintree

Should any person discover an error in the above records, he will confer a favor by notifying the Town Clerk at once, that correction may be made.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,

Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall in said town, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot, also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 4. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Article 6. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Article 7. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 9. To see if the town will make appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund as required by law to meet the payments of the Randolph Water Loan.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1901-1902, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Article 15. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Article 16. To see what action the town will take in relation to the notes maturing June 19, 1901.

Article 17. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to have made

copies of the records of births, marriages and deaths kept by the various churches in this town and not now recorded in the town records, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 466 of the Acts of 1898, entitled: "An Act relative to the employment of superintendent of schools by small towns," and will authorize the School Committee, if they deem it expedient, to arrange such union in accordance with the provisions of said act as may be most advantageous, subject, however, to the approval of the State Board of Education, and will raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 20. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Article 21. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 22. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Article 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate five hundred dollars for the enforcement of the liquor laws, and appoint a committee who shall have the power of expending the same for the purpose specified therein, as petitioned for by the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Article 24. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place lights on High street, as petitioned for by Michael Ford and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 25. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to place lights on Chestnut street, as petitioned for by A. S. Niles and others, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 26. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Article 27. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1901.

Article 28. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Article 29. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, and published in the town report as required by law.

Article 30. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be the agents and attorneys for the town; to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Article 31. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town; to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Article 32. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

The polls will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours and such longer time as the voters may determine, and you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in

said town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of holding this meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this eighteenth day of February A.D. nineteen hundred and one.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,
CHARLES H. THAYER,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest: MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN, *Constable.*

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